

Wednesday, 19th April, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. J. Kidd.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Taylor, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

1. Who were the persons engaged in the work of compiling the "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1911" ?
2. What amount of money was paid to each such person?
3. What services were rendered by each such person?

The Hon. Mr. Campbell replied as follows:—

"1. C. Wilson, K.C.; A. P. Luxton, K.C.; O. Plunkett (Secretary).

"2. To C. Wilson, K.C., \$37,000, of which amount I understand \$13,391.01 was paid to A. P. Luxton, K.C.; to A. P. Luxton, K.C., \$2,000; to O. Plunkett, \$500.

"The above payments as revised: C. Wilson, K.C., \$23,608.99; A. P. Luxton, K.C., \$15,391.01; O. Plunkett, \$500; total, \$39,500.

"3. Revising British Columbia Statutes between the years 1897 and 1911."

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Clauses Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Land Surveyors Act'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hunter*, adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *M. A. Macdonald*, adjourned until the next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*April 18th, 1916.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

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Thursday, 20th April, 1916.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Captain *John Campbell*, Ph.D.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Brewster*, seconded by Mr. *M. A. Macdonald*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for an immediate Return (made up from the final estimates and classification, as accepted and passed by the Government Engineer) in the construction of that portion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway south of Fort George, commencing at Station "O" and ending at Station 369 × 60, showing: (1) The yardage of common or earth excavation; (2) the yardage of hard-pan; (3) the yardage of loose rock; (4) the yardage of solid rock; (5) the yardage of overhaul; (6) the lineal feet of culvert timber; (7) the lineal feet

of crib timber; (8) the amount of excavation for cribs; (9) the filling of cribs; (10) the weight of iron in cribs and culverts; (11) the amount of paving in culverts; (12) the clearing of right-of-way in acres; (13) the grubbing of right-of-way in acres.

Mr. Jackson asked the Hon. the Premier the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to follow the policy of Ontario and Alberta and impose a tax on each moving-picture ticket?

The Hon. Mr. Bowser replied as follows:—

"This matter is now receiving the consideration of the Government."

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*April 20th, 1916.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Kelp-reduction Works Licence Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to extend the Franchise to Women" was resumed.

On the motion of Mr. Jackson, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Clauses Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Land Surveyors Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*20th April, 1916.*

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

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

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 2.40 p.m.

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Tuesday, 25th April, 1916.

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TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay.

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

1. What is the geographic boundaries of the Victoria Sheriff's Bailiwick?
2. What is the total amount of all payments, salary, fees, poundage, commission, or other remuneration, including expenses and mileage, received by the Sheriff for Victoria during the years 1914 and 1915 respectively?

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

"1. The Victoria Sheriff's Bailiwick comprises the County of Victoria as defined in the 'Counties Definition Act.'

"2. Total for 1914: \$30,645.18, of which \$12,562.42 were disbursements. Total for 1915: \$21,548.30, of which \$10,726.77 were disbursements."

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act'" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was again committed.

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

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was resumed.

On the motion of Mr. *M. Manson*, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was read a second time.  
To be committed at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

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## Wednesday, 26th April, 1916.

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. N. Stapleford*.

On the motion of Mr. *Place*, Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

1. To what contractors on Canadian Northern Pacific between Victoria and Port Alberni were moneys paid for construction purposes between February 1st, 1915, and February 1st, 1916?
2. What amounts were paid to each contractor during that period?

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

"1. Cameron Lumber Company; Clarence Hoard; Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Company; F. White; W. S. Thorp; Jones & Rant; S. Doe; Macdonald & Nettleton, Bruce, Eschbach Company; Moore & Pethick.

"2. Cameron Lumber Company, \$6,534.72; Clarence Hoard, \$3,594; Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Company, \$3,200; F. White, \$1,064; W. S. Thorp, \$21,040.35; Jones & Rant, \$341.65; S. Doe, \$22,457.61; Macdonald & Nettleton, Bruce, Eschbach Company, \$59,589.94; Moore & Pethick, \$20,500."

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

1. Between what miles and between what stations on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway did sub-contract of Moran & Heckman embrace?
2. How much, and for what yardage, specifying classification, were Moran & Heckman paid by principal contractor?
3. How much, and for what other work, were Moran & Heckman paid by principal contractor?
4. In ordinary terms used in land-clearing, what do the terms (a) "clearing" and (b) "grubbing," as used in Pacific Great Eastern and Canadian Northern Railway construction contracts, mean and include?
5. How many acres of "clearing" is had per mile of right-of-way?
6. How many acres of "grubbing" is had per mile of right-of-way?

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

“1. Mile 156 and Mile 163; Station 530 and Station 859.

“2. Yardage between stations mentioned in No. 1: Excavation earth, 25,743 cubic yards; excavation cemented material and hard-pan, 2,194 cubic yards; excavation loose rock, 162,333 cubic yards; excavation solid rock, 72,146 cubic yards; excavation solid rock beyond the base and slopes as specified, 14,886 cubic yards; extra haul over 500 feet, 134,243 cubic yards.

“3. The principal contractor was allowed: Clearing, 59.33 acres; grubbing, 3.02 acres; riprap, 53 cubic yards; riprap hand-laid, 138 cubic yards; timber, best quality in culverts, 149 feet B.M.; native timber in culverts, 346 lineal feet; frame timber in trestles, except stringers, 167 feet B.M.; overhaul on bridge material over four miles, ton per mile, 4.7; excavation in foundations, no coffer-dams, 298 cubic yards.

“4. ‘Clearing’: Where the line passes through wooded land, the entire right-of-way shall be cleared of all timber, brush, stump, logs, etc., which must either be burnt or removed from the right-of-way. No timber, brush, stumps, logs, or roots shall in any case be piled upon adjacent lands, and the limits of the right-of-way shall be left in proper shape for the site of fencing to the satisfaction of the Engineer, and where directed by him, including all necessary close cutting. Trees unavoidably falling outside right-of-way must be cut up, removed to right-of-way, and disposed of.

“‘Grubbing’: In all excavating, including borrow pits, on all ground to be covered by embankments less than 2 feet high, and from all ditches, drains, new channels for waterways, and other places, when required, all stumps and large roots must be grubbed out and removed. Grubbing will be estimated and paid for by the acre, when actually performed in excavation less than 4 feet deep, under embankments less than 2 feet high, and on borrow pits, ditches, drains, and new channels for water within the clearing limits; but no grubbing will be allowed on the slopes of any cutting where the depth at a distance of 10 feet on either side of the centre line exceeds 4 feet.

“5. The number of acres of ‘clearing’ is variable and must conform to the specification. (See answer No. 4.)

“6. The number of acres of ‘grubbing’ is variable and must always conform to the specification. (See answer No. 4.)”

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Forest Act’” was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Williams*, adjourned until to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o’clock to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, 27th April, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. L. Stevenson*.

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Taylor*,—

Whereas, in relation to the conduct of a by-election in the Electoral District of Vancouver City on the 26th February, 1916, charges have been and are being made in the public press and otherwise openly and notoriously, alleging the prevalence of wicked, improper, and corrupt practices before and in preparation for and at the time of and in the course of such by-election with intent to influence the result thereof, and it is expedient that inquiry be made into the truth or falsity of such charges:

Be it therefore Resolved, That a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. *Mackay, McGuire, Miller, Brewster, and Williams* be appointed to investigate all the above-recited classes of acts, matters, and things done, existing, and occurring before and in preparation for and at the time of and in the course of the said by-election, and intended to influence or in effect influencing the result of the said by-election, and that the said Select Committee have full jurisdiction and power to investigate all and singular the acts, matters, and things aforesaid, with power to call for and compel the attendance and production of persons, books, and papers, and to administer oaths or affirmations to witnesses wherever necessary or expedient, and to report the deliberations of the Committee and the evidence taken by and under the direction of the Committee to this House.

Mr. *Brewster* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Place*,—

That all the words of the recital, except the first word "Whereas," and all the words of the Resolution be struck out, and the following words substituted therefor:—

"(Whereas) the 'Provincial Elections Act' contains provisions for the prevention of and punishment for personation, bribery, treating, undue influence, and other offences:

"And whereas by-elections were held in the Cities of Rossland and Vancouver on the 26th day of February last:

"And whereas a by-election was held in the City of Victoria on the 4th day of March last:

"And whereas it has been openly alleged that offences against the 'Provincial Elections Act' were committed in the said cities:

"And whereas it is advisable and necessary to inquire into the truth or otherwise of such allegations:

"Be it therefore Resolved, That a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. *Miller, Shatford, McGuire, Williams, and Place* be appointed to inquire into the truth or otherwise of any alleged (or that may be alleged before or to the Committee) offences against any of the provisions of the 'Provincial Elections Act,' and that the said Committee have power to compel the attendance of persons, and the examination of such persons under oath or affirmation, and to enforce the production of all books, letters, papers, documents, telegraph or telephone messages, or any other evidence material to the inquiry, and that the said Committee be instructed to allow counsel to appear before the Committee, and that no communication, oral or written, shall be kept from the Committee, whether the same shall be claimed to be confidential or personal or otherwise, and that the Committee report their findings and the evidence to the House."

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—26.

Messieurs

<i>Shaw,</i>	<i>Forster, H. E.,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Manson, Michael,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Manson, Wm. J.,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Lucas,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Behnsen.</i>
<i>MacLean,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>		

NAYS—4.

Messieurs

<i>Place,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>Macdonald, M. A.</i>
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Debate on the original question resumed.

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Williams*.—

To insert the words “and all offences against any of the provisions of the ‘Provincial Elections Act’ which may be alleged to or before the Committee” after the word “aforesaid” and before the word “with” where the said words occur in the twelfth line of the Resolution.

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

Mr. *Pooley* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Jackson*.—

To add at the end of the Resolution the following:—

“Be it further Resolved, That all witnesses examined before this House or any Committee thereof are entitled to the protection of this House in respect of anything that may be said by them, or any of them, in their evidence (unless such evidence be given in bad faith); and that any molestation, threats, or legal proceedings against them, or any of them, will be treated by this House as a breach of privilege.”

*Resolved* in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—24.

Messieurs

<i>Shaw,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Miller,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Manson, Michael,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Manson, Wm. J.,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Lucas,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Behnsen.</i>

NAYS—5.

Messieurs

<i>Forster, H. E.,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>Macdonald, M. A.</i>
<i>Place,</i>			

Original question as amended put and *Resolved* in the affirmative.

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

1. What portion (if any) of the real estate purchased by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company in the City of New Westminster is in use for terminal purposes?
2. What portion (if any) of the real estate purchased by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company in the City of New Westminster is for right-of-way for the company's main line?
3. What portion of the real estate purchased by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company at Steveston is: (a) For terminal purposes; (b) for right-of-way; (c) for townsite purposes?
4. What is the total acreage of real estate purchased by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company at Steveston?

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

“1. None at present.

“2. None.

“3. (a.) 90.28 acres. (b.) None. (c.) 114.22 acres. The acreage now devoted to townsite purposes was originally included in the scheme for the development of the Steveston Terminal. The proposals in connection therewith have lately been modified and curtailed; therefore the acreage now to be devoted to townsite purposes has been debited to the company's account, an ordinary business adjustment. There remains a sum of \$600,000 odd to which the company is entitled, which shows that the company has never been overpaid. The account has been and is always subject to readjustment.

“4. 204.5 acres.”



Mr. *Brewster* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and Agriculture the following questions:—

1. Is the Central Okanagan Lands Company in liquidation?
2. Has the Central Okanagan Lands Company sold lands to settlers agreeing to supply water for domestic purposes and for irrigation?
3. Has the Central Okanagan Lands Company supplied water to the settlers as per their agreement?
4. Has the receiver for the Central Okanagan Lands Company notified the settlers that irrigation-water would be shut off from those persons who have not paid their water rate?
5. Will the Government investigate, at once, the conditions existing in respect to the operations of the Central Okanagan Lands Company?
6. Is it the intention of the Government to take any steps to protect the settlers on these lands?

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

"1. No official notice of the company being in liquidation has been received. By order of the Court a receiver was appointed at the suit of certain debenture-holders on May 28th, 1915.

"2. No information.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Answered by No. 2.

"5. The general question of irrigation conditions in the Dry Belt of the Province has been the subject of special investigation for some time, but the investigation of the matter is still incomplete.

"6. When data is complete, such action will be taken as the public interest may seem to warrant."

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Registered Nurses" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

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Friday, 28th April, 1916.

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. A. *McConnell*.

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

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Clauses Act.'"

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Land Surveyors Act.'"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act.'"

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to provide Homesteads and Homestead Loans for Returned Soldiers" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

When was the Crown grant for Sirdar lots obtained by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company?

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

"Date of Crown grant, September 23rd, 1912."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

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## Monday, 1st May, 1916.

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Right Rev. Bishop *A. G. Doull*.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Ross*—Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900, Amendment Act, 1916.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Ross*—Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sale of Goods Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Ross*—Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act.'"

Mr. *Brewster* moved, seconded by Mr. *M. A. Macdonald*,—

Whereas the "Provincial Elections Act" contains provisions for the prevention of and punishment for personation, bribery, treating, undue influence, and other offences:

And whereas a by-election was held in the City of Victoria on the 4th day of March last:

And whereas it has been openly alleged that offences against the "Provincial Elections Act" were committed in the said city:

And whereas it is advisable and necessary to inquire into the truth or otherwise of such allegations:

Be it therefore *Resolved*, That a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. *Miller*, *Shatford*, *McGuire*, *Williams*, and *Macdonald* be appointed to inquire into the truth or otherwise of any alleged (or that may be alleged before or to the Committee) offences against any of the provisions of the "Provincial Elections Act," and that the said Committee have power to compel the attendance of persons, and the examination of such persons under oath or affirmation, and to enforce the production of all books, letters, papers, documents, telegraph or telephone messages, or any other evidence material to the inquiry, and that the said Committee be instructed to allow counsel to appear before the Committee, and that no communication, oral or written, shall be kept from the Committee, whether the same shall be claimed to be confidential or personal or otherwise, and that the Committee report their findings and the evidence to the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Ross*,—

To strike out the names "*Miller, Shatford, and McGuire*," and insert the names "*Lucas, Young, and MacKenzie*" in lieu thereof; and that the words "and that the said Committee be instructed to allow counsel to appear before the Committee" be struck out.

Amendment put and carried.

Original question as amended put and carried.

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Did the Government enter into an arrangement with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for the use of the railway bridge across the Fraser River at Fort George by the public as an ordinary traffic bridge?

2. Is the said railway bridge open for the use of the public?

3. What are the terms of the agreement (if any) entered into by the Government with the railway company?

4. Will the Government bring down a copy of the agreement and the correspondence for the information of the Legislature?

5. Is there any dispute between the Government and the railway company as to the amount to be paid for the use of said bridge?

6. If no agreement has been made, has any temporary arrangement been entered into?

7. Has the Government entered into an agreement whereby the railway company undertook to construct a wagon-road along each side of the track over this bridge?

8. Is it necessary to construct approaches to such road?

9. If so, what is the estimated cost?

10. When will such approaches be complete?

11. What sum (if any) has been paid or apportioned in respect to the whole work?

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

"1. Yes. Plan approved by the Department on a six-span bridge.

"2. No.

"3. Government agreed to pay cost of highway portion.

"4. Yes.

"5. Yes.

"6. Yes.

"7. Answered by No. 1.

"8. Yes.

"9. Awaiting Engineer's estimate.

"10. Information will be available when Engineer submits his report.

"11. \$150,000 apportioned."

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment" was resumed.

On the motion of Mr. *Brewster*, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Kelp-reduction Works Licence Act.'"

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act.'"

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

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 2nd May, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. R. Heneage*.

The Hon. Mr. *Taylor* presented a Return (made up from the final estimates and classification, as accepted and passed by the Government Engineer) in the construction of that portion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway south of Fort George, commencing at Station "O" and ending at Station 369 X 60, showing: (1) The yardage of common or earth excavation; (2) the yardage of hard-pan; (3) the yardage of loose rock; (4) the yardage of solid rock; (5) the yardage of overhaul; (6) the lineal feet of culvert timber; (7) the lineal feet of crib timber; (8) the amount of excavation for cribs; (9) the filling of cribs; (10) the weight of iron in cribs and culverts; (11) the amount of paving in culverts; (12) the clearing of right-of-way in acres; (13) the grubbing of right-of-way in acres.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Issue of a Crown Grant to Lot 113, Group 1, Cariboo District," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*May 1st, 1916.*

*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. 49) intituled "An Act to authorize the Issue of a Crown Grant to Lot 113, Group 1, Cariboo District," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

1. What sums of money (if any) have been loaned or advanced to the Salvation Army?
2. If any: (a.) What are the conditions as to repayment? (b.) Have any repayments been made? (c.) What security does the Government hold?

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

- "1. No sums of money have been loaned or advanced to the Salvation Army.
- "2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. What amount of Vote 284—\$25,000, "Immigration and Publicity," 1915—has been expended?
2. To whom paid and for what service?
3. Are any charges outstanding against this vote; and, if so, for what service?

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

- "1. \$11,984.69.
- "2. (See attached Statement.)
- "3. Nothing outstanding, so far as I am informed."

## (Statement.)

## VOTE No. 284.—IMMIGRATION AND PUBLICITY.

*Detailed Expenditure.*

Alberta Lumber Co., Ltd., lumber for grain-cases, etc., for Vancouver Industrial Bureau	\$ 4 25
Annual Review Pub. Co., subscription for year 1914 and postage	5 25
Best, W. F., photographs of Buttle Lake and Campbell River	10 00
B.C. Federationist, advertising	490 00
B.C. Financial Times, distribution of 2,750 copies	275 00
B.C. Mining Exchange, distribution of 1,000 copies (100 copies monthly at \$10 per month)	100 00
Calwell, H., paid freight and cartage on publicity matter	17 15
"Canada" Newspaper Co., Ltd., special publicity, advertising and subscription	191 30
Canadian Courier, subscription	3 00
Canadian Express Co., express charges	10 11
Canadian Facts Pub. Co., subscription, 205 copies "Facts about Canada"	30 75
Canadian Pacific R.R. Co., freight on magazines to London	9 00
Canadian Pacific Tel. Co., telegrams	9 38
Colonist Printing & Publishing Co., pre-emptors' maps, etc., \$1,355; half-tones and cuts, \$179.65; subscriptions, \$6	1,540 65
Colonist Printing & Publishing Co., 10,000 copies Budget Speech	362 50
Cottingham, W. S., paid express charges	1 90
Courtney, H. E. A., 105 copies Kelly's Mineral Map of Vancouver Island	17 50
Columbian Co., Ltd., subscription	1 00
Collector of Customs, duty	2 80
Dominion Express Co., express charges	48 44
Fernie Free Press, subscription	4 00
Fisher, E., photo prints	50
Fleming, Edgar, photo prints and enlargements	79 50
Fleming, Harold, photo prints and enlargements	47 40
Fruit & Farm Magazine, advertising	360 00
Garrison, W. H., coloured and plain slides for lecturing purposes	121 97
Gault Bros., Ltd., ribbon for exhibition cases	5 13
George & Co., A., freight and brokerage	37 54
Grand Forks Gazette, subscription	8 00
Great Northwest Tel. Co., telegrams	1 75
Heaton's Agency, 60,000 copies "Opportunities in B.C." and freight on same, \$2,218.82; 25 copies "Heaton's Annual," \$28.10; advertising, \$101.35	2,348 27
Hibben & Co., T. N., pocket diary	80
Hooper, C. F., photographs	2 50
Hudson, G. H. E., panorama	3 00
Humphreys, A. O., photographs	1 10
Industrial Progress and Commercial Record, subscription and 900 copies special edition	252 00
Jacobs, E., publicity work <i>re</i> "Progress of Mining in B.C."	999 96
Kamloops Press, Ltd., subscription	6 00
Kelowna Courier, subscription	1 50
Kineto, Ltd., film <i>re</i> "Fisheries and Timber Industry in B.C."	98 94
Manufacturers' Association of B.C., Vancouver, compiling data for Government, multi-graphing letters, addressing envelopes, and postage	28 64
Manufacturers' Association of B.C., Victoria, publicity work <i>re</i> war supplies information	50 00
Maynard, A. H., photo enlargement	10 00
Methodist Recorder P. & P. Co., advertising, 14 months at \$25	350 00
Monetary Times, advertising in 1916 Annual	80 00
McGaffey, E., travelling expenses	49 00
MacLean Pub. Co., Ltd., subscription for Financial Post	6 00
McTavish Bros., paid freight and brokerage	238 52
Nelson Daily News, subscription and 1,000 copies of special edition	105 00
News Advertiser, subscription	3 00

Pocock, R. L., photographs of military groups .....	\$ 55 50
Postmaster, stamps for packages of literature .....	75 00
P.P.P. Publishing Co., advertising and cuts .....	241 00
Province, subscription .....	3 00
Railway Guides Co., Ltd., advertising in railway booking halls in United Kingdom ...	272 82
Rossland Miner, subscription .....	5 00
Salvation Army, freight charges on booklets supplied for publicity work .....	17 68
Smith & Co., C. H., photograph of Prince Rupert .....	75
Straker Bros., printing and photographs new B.C. Building, London .....	50 56
Trio, Photographers, enlargements for Agent-General's Office .....	37 00
Vancouver Industrial Bureau, rental of exhibit space, 9 mos. at \$250; expenses, \$19.60	2,269 60
Vernon News, subscription .....	2 00
V. & I. Development Association, grant in aid of work of the Association .....	500 00
Victoria Book & Stationery Co., photo prints of troops .....	3 80
Western Lumberman, subscription .....	2 00
Woodward Department Stores, supplies for exhibition cases, Vancouver .....	2 78
World Printing and Publishing Co., subscriptions .....	6 55
World's Paper Trade Review, subscriptions .....	9 65
	\$11,984 69

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. What are the detailed particulars of the services rendered by W. D. Caroe for which he received \$5,040 for scrutinizing and reporting, as shown in Public Accounts for the year ending March, 1913, at page C 263, in connection with the University of British Columbia?

2. What are the details of the "personal expenses" of the said W. D. Caroe for which he received \$1,932.55, and also \$90.60 as per statement in Public Accounts, page C 362, 1912-13?

3. Where did W. D. Caroe reside at the time he rendered these services?

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

"1. Fee (1,000 guineas) \$5,040, for scrutinizing and reporting on plans for the University of British Columbia.

"2. Travelling and personal expenses between London, England, and Victoria, both ways, \$1,932.55. \$92.60 was expended thus: On telegrams, £7 1s.; two journeys to Oxford, £2 16s.; one journey to Cambridge, £1 4s. 10d.; one journey to Leeds, £3 4s. 6d.; one journey to Keswick, £4 12s. These journeys were for the purpose of examining University and other buildings with the view of comparing them with the plans of the University of British Columbia.

"3. In London, England, and Victoria."

The Report on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" was again committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. *Schofield* presented the Second Report from the Municipal Committee, as follows:—

#### REPORT NO. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

May 2nd, 1916.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters beg leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee has had under consideration Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act,'" and made important additions thereto, and the Bill as amended by the Committee is now recommended to the favourable consideration of the House.

J. H. SCHOFIELD, *Chairman.*

The report was received.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to provide Homesteads and Homestead Loans for Returned Soldiers" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

## Wednesday, 3rd May, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Hon. T. R. Henegge.

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

By the Hon. Mr. Ross—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Replevin Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. Bowser—Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to validate a certain Grant made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria in Aid of the Militia."

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

1. Is it the intention of the Government to provide aid for prospectors in the shape of free assays or assays at a reduced price?
2. If so, when will the aid become effective?
3. Does the Government intend to provide for financial assistance to prospectors who have mineral showings which warrant preliminary development?
4. If so, when will such provision be made and when will it become effective?
5. Is the Government considering the advisability of introducing improved methods for securing more detailed information regarding the mineral resources within the Province?
6. If so, when will the improvements be inaugurated?
7. Is the Government considering the advisability of dividing the Province into mineral districts, and placing in charge thereof competent mining engineers whose duty it will be to investigate and examine all mineral showings in said districts?
8. If so, when will said divisions be created?

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

"1. *Bona-fide* prospectors, particularly in out-of-the-way districts, have already free assays. It is the intention to extend this by giving two free assays for each assessment record, and the Government is considering the advisability of a further increase at a later date.

"2. At once.

"3. The Government is now considering whether or not further assistance can be given to the prospector, and, if so, in what form.

"4. At this Session of the House.

"5. Yes.

"6. As soon as weather conditions will permit. It is the intention to put at least four parties in the field, and more if required.

"7. It is the intention of the Government to keep the engineers employed in reporting as above in the various districts during the field season, when their advice will be free to prospectors.

"8. So soon as suitable men can be obtained and weather conditions permit."

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Does the Government hold a bond under the "Trust Companies Regulation Act" for the protection of the depositors and creditors of the Dominion Trust Company, now in liquidation?
2. What is the face value of such bond or bonds?
3. Has any effort been made by the Government to enforce payment of the bond?
4. Is payment of the bond disputed?
5. If so, upon what ground or grounds?
6. Was a sum of \$250,000 placed in the Estimates last year for payment to the depositors and creditors of the Dominion Trust Company, in advance of the collection of the bond money?
7. Has this sum of money been paid out to the depositors and creditors?
8. Has a suit in the Supreme Court been commenced by the Minister of Finance against the bonding company to enforce payment of the bond?
9. Upon what date was the writ issued?
10. Are the pleadings closed in the action; and, if so, upon what date were they closed?
11. Has the case been set down for trial; and, if so, upon what date will it be heard?
12. Upon what date does the Government intend to make distribution of the money voted by the Legislature for the relief of the creditors and depositors of the Dominion Trust Company?
13. Is the Government deferring distribution pending the outcome of the suit brought by the so-called depositors to secure recognition as creditors?
14. Should the Courts decide that the so-called depositors have no status as creditors of the liquidation, will the Government decline to regard them as creditors and refuse to allow them to share in the bond money?
15. Was the Attorney-General correctly reported in the *Vancouver Daily Province* of February 4th, 1915, in reference to the apportioning of the bond money provided for in the 1915 Estimates, as follows: "This amount will be administered under the 'Trust Act' for the Dominion Trust victims without waiting for the question of the payment of the bonds to be fought out"?
16. If so, what is the reason for delay in distributing the fund?

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

- "1. The Government holds the bond of the Railway Passengers Assurance Company under the 'Trust Companies Act.'
- "2. \$200,000.
- "3. Yes. Suit has been started.
- "4. Yes.
- "5. A voluminous defence can be seen on application in the Supreme Court Registry, Vancouver.
- "6. Yes. \$200,000 on account of this bond and \$50,000 on account of the bond of the London Guarantee and Accident Company, given under the provisions of the 'Dominion Trust Act.'
- "7. No.
- "8. Suit has been commenced.
- "9. 14th October, 1915.
- "10. Yes. 21st December, 1915.
- "11. Not yet.
- "12. Until the question of who are depositors is further advanced in the Court it is impossible for the Government to distribute the money.
- "13. Yes.
- "14. This is a matter the Government will have to decide after the Courts decide what the standing of the depositors is.
- "15. Cannot say at this late date whether I am correctly reported or not, but the Government does not necessarily have to wait for the final decision of the Privy Council on a suit against the Guarantee Company before distributing the \$200,000 under the 'Trust Act.'
- "16. We will not distribute the money until some decision is arrived at as to who are creditors and depositors under the \$200,000 bond."

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

1. With reference to question No. 2, as to the total receipts by the Sheriff of Victoria for years 1914-15, does the sum given include receipts as Landlords' Bailiff?



2. If not, what were the receipts of said Sheriff as such Bailiff during said years?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Is Frank S. DeGrey a Sanitary Inspector appointed under the Provincial Board of Health?

2. If so, what is his salary as such?

3. Is Frank S. DeGrey the Acting-Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health?

4. If so, when was he appointed?

5. What is his salary as such?

6. Is he a qualified medical practitioner as required by section 4 of the “Health Act”?

7. If not, is there such a qualified medical practitioner employed in any capacity in the office of the Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health?

8. For what purpose was the launch “Langara” engaged during each of the seasons of 1914 and 1915?

9. How many persons were employed aboard her, in what capacity, and at what rate of pay for each person?

10. How, at what rate, and for what time was the said launch engaged during each of the seasons of 1914 and 1915?

11. What was the total amount paid for gasolene, oil, and other engine supplies during each of the years 1914 and 1915?

12. What was the total amount paid for provisioning said launch during each of the years 1914 and 1915?

13. For how many consecutive seasons has she been engaged in this service?

14. From whom was she engaged?

15. Has this launch been used for other than departmental purposes during the period that she has been employed by the Government?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. \$175 per month.

“3. Yes.

“4. November 1st, 1914.

“5. \$100 per month.

“6. No.

“7. Dr. Walter Bapty is Bacteriologist and Epidemiologist. During his absence at the front Drs. Grant and Home have been engaged when necessary for bacteriological work here, and the modern laboratory at the New Westminster Mental Hospital, under charge of a competent medical staff, has been used when necessary for work on the Mainland. Furthermore, Dr. Henry Esson Young, late Provincial Secretary, had constant supervision over the Health Department, and still acts in an advisory capacity. The Department is also supplemented by thirty-eight duly qualified physicians, retained as Medical Health Officers, to act for the Department, when necessary, throughout the unorganized districts.

“8. For medical, hospital, and sanitary inspection work at unorganized towns; industrial plants, logging, mining, and summer camps; fish canning and storing establishments located on the inlets, islands, and coast-line of British Columbia.

“9. Average four. During part of 1914 season the Government paid one, David Day, \$2.50 per day for a total of forty days, as engineer. At all other times the owners furnished balance of crew, Mr. DeGrey being in charge while en route from place to place.

“10. By advertisement in the Victoria and Vancouver daily papers three suitable boats were offered and considered. The decision was left to the Minister and the lowest tender accepted. Original newspaper advertisement, together with tenders in detail, is available for inspection. Rate, \$22.75 per day when operated; \$1.50 per day when anchored and awaiting orders away from home port. No charge was made for the launch when lying in her home port on the

Fraser River. Service was intermittent, not continuous. Time engaged, 1914, 86 days, July, August, and September; time engaged, 1915, 89 working-days, 13 waiting-days, extending from May to October, 1915.

"11. Total cost of fuel, 1914, \$295.37; total cost of fuel, 1915, \$229.85. Owners paid all docking, overhauling, engine repairs, and insurance.

"12. Total cost of provisions, 1914, \$150.35; total cost of provisions, 1915, \$213.55.

"13. Two seasons.

"14. The Pacific Marine Brokerage Company, Ltd.

"15. No. A detailed statement as to work engaged in rendered for every day in service."

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

1. What steps did the Government take to ascertain whether or not the Pacific Great Eastern could be located through the townsite of Quesnel before approving the location laid out by the Pacific Great Eastern?

2. If any steps were taken, by whom was the location made by the Pacific Great Eastern reported on?

3. How and from whom did that person obtain his data?

4. Did he make a report; and, if so, what was his report?

5. When did Mr. F. C. Gamble, the Chief Engineer of Railways, examine the location of the Pacific Great Eastern line in the neighbourhood of Quesnel?

6. What instructions (if any) were given to Mr. Gamble in respect of his examination, and by whom?

7. In whose company did Mr. Gamble travel to make the said examination?

8. What expenses did Mr. Gamble pay for transportation from Ashcroft to Quesnel?

9. To whom did he pay them?

10. On what days did he make his examination?

11. How many hours on each day was he personally engaged on the ground making the examination?

12. Was any survey of an alternate route of the Pacific Great Eastern line near Quesnel made by Mr. Gamble or under his instructions?

13. If so, by whom, and when?

14. If by a person other than Mr. Gamble, by whom was he employed and paid?

15. If an alternate survey was made of the Pacific Great Eastern line near Quesnel on behalf of the Department of Railways, was the Engineer who made the survey in the employ of the Pacific Great Eastern then or previously?

16. Was Mr. Gamble's approval of the location of the Pacific Great Eastern line near Quesnel based solely or to any extent on data supplied by the Pacific Great Eastern?

17. Did he have any data not supplied by the Pacific Great Eastern; if so, what, and how was it secured?

18. Has Mr. Gamble given an estimate of the cost of acquiring a right-of-way through Lot 385, Cariboo District?

19. If so, how did he arrive at his estimate, and from whom was his information obtained?

20. Were the owners of Lot 385, Group 1, Cariboo District, ever consulted by Mr. Gamble as to price at which they would sell?

21. Has the Chief Engineer of Railways or any Engineer in his Department ever computed the cost of varying the location of the Pacific Great Eastern as approved and constructing the line through or touching the townsite of Quesnel?

22. If so, by whom was such computation made, and when?

23. Was the computation made entirely independent of the Pacific Great Eastern engineering department?

24. If such computation was made, was full topography taken by the Department of Railways?

25. If not, how was essential data obtained?

26. On what date did Mr. Gamble submit his report on the location of the Pacific Great Eastern near Quesnel to the Minister of Railways?

27. Was a copy of this report forwarded to the Pacific Great Eastern or any official thereof; and, if so, to whom, and when?

28. Did the Minister of Railways write a letter dated May 28th, 1915, to the secretary of the Quesnel Board of Trade, stating that Mr. Gamble had "left a man on the ground to see if it is possible to reach Quesnel by another route."

29. Who was the man "left on the ground"?

30. By whom was he employed?

31. Was he then or at any previous time in the employ of the Pacific Great Eastern?

32. Did he make a complete survey, taking all topography along an alternate route?

33. Has he supplied the Department of Railways with the details of the topography?

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

"1. On the 10th and 11th July, 1913, the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways, in company with the Chief Engineer of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, investigated conditions of the location of the railway at Quesnel and vicinity. It was at once obvious that economical and engineering difficulties precluded the reasonable possibility of locating the railway through Quesnel Townsite, and a study was made of the best location to be had in that vicinity, which finally resolved itself into the adoption of the present line as constructed. The wisdom of this choice was later fully verified upon a full investigation by the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and his assistant, accompanied by the Chief Engineer and Division Engineer of the railway company, on the 20th May, 1915, and from surveys carried out by the Division Engineer of the railway company acting on instructions given by the Government Chief Engineer on that date. In compliance with these instructions a complete topographical plan, profile, and detailed estimate of the cost of the alternate location touching the Quesnel Townsite and D.L. 385 was prepared and delivered to the Chief Engineer and is on file in the Department of Railways.

"The cost of right-of-way in D.L. 385 was estimated from data furnished by the Division Engineer of the railway company from inquiries as to the price of lots in this subdivision which were being offered for sale at that time.

"This alternate line was surveyed only for the information of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. Answered by No. 1.

"5. Answered by No. 1.

"6. To investigate the question of an alternate location at Quesnel. By the Minister of Railways.

"7. Answered by No. 1.

"8. None.

"9. Answered by No. 8.

"10. Answered by No. 1.

"11. No record.

"12. Answered by No. 1.

"13. Answered by No. 1.

"14. Answered by No. 1.

"15. Answered by No. 1.

"16. Answered by No. 1.

"17. Yes, by personal examination on the site of the proposed work and the report of the engineer engaged by the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Cariboo.

"18. No.

"19. Answered by No. 18.

"20. No.

"21. Yes, and by the Assistant Engineer, Department of Railways.

"22. Answered by Nos. 1 and 21.

"23. Yes.

"24. No.

"25. Answered by Nos. 1 and 17.

"26. On 26th February, 1916.

"27. No.

" 28. Yes.

" 29. Answered by No. 1.

" 30. Answered by No. 1.

" 31. Answered by No. 1.

" 32. Answered by No. 1.

" 33. Answered by No. 1."

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment" was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to authorize the Sale to the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company of a Portion of the Former Songhees Indian Reserve" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*May 3rd, 1916.*

*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. 43) intituled "An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, 4th May, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. C. A. Sykes.

Order called for the House to resume the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to secure a Record of all Importations of Workmen."

Mr. Speaker *Eberts*: In the discussion on the second reading of this Bill on the 13th April, a question was raised as to whether the Bill was not beyond the powers of this Legislature and on other grounds. Under the "British North America Act," the several powers of the Federal and Provincial Governments are fully set out. The Bill in question, on the face of it, clearly deals with immigration matters. Section 95 of the "British North America Act" reads as follows:—

"In each Province the Legislature may make laws in relation to agriculture in the Province, and to immigration into the Province; and it is hereby declared that the Parliament of Canada may from time to time make laws in relation to agriculture in all or any of the Provinces, and to immigration into all or any of the Provinces; and any law of the Legislature of the Province relative to agriculture or to immigration shall have effect in and for the Province as long and as far only as it is not repugnant to any Act of the Parliament of Canada."

It is conceded that the Federal Government has on many occasions legislated on the subject of immigration in Canada of workmen, in which case the Provincial power to legislate with reference to the importation of workmen seems to be ousted, leaving the field of legislation touching on immigration solely with the Federal Government. But as to this I give no present opinion. The Act, however, according to my judgment, is one clearly affecting trade and commerce, and, not having first been considered in a Committee of the Whole House and agreed to, is a contravention of Rule 58. I am therefore of the opinion that the second reading of the Bill is out of order.

The Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to authorize the Sale to the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company of a Portion of the Former Songhees Indian Reserve" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed. Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed. Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was committed. Reported without amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Kelp-reduction Works Licence Act'" was committed. Reported without amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Friday, 5th May, 1916.

QUARTER PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. C. A. Sykes.

On the motion of Mr. Pooley, Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act relating to the Sale of Coal" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. Brewster, seconded by Mr. M. A. Macdonald, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all Certificates authorizing the transfer of moneys (being the proceeds of the sale or hypothecation of the Government-guaranteed bonds, or any interest thereon, of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company) to the credit of the company; and also for copies of all Reports of the Government Engineer, or other authority, upon which any such releases of moneys were made, all as per clause 9, paragraph (d), of the Schedule to chapter 34, Statutes of 1912.

The Report on Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Kelp-reduction Works Licence Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Pooley, adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the amendment to Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" enclosed herewith.

"11. Section 9 of chapter 28 of the Statutes of 1915 is hereby amended by striking out all the words and figures after '1915' in the fourth line thereof."

*Government House,*

*May 5th, 1916.*

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the proposed amendment accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Monday, 8th May, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. E. Redman.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 70) intituled “An Act to amend ‘An Act to enable the Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert to issue Annuity Instalment or Serial Bonds, instead of Sinking Fund Debentures; and to provide for the Financing of the said City, both Permanent and Temporary, with regard to Present Actual Indebtedness, and to Permanently Finance with regard to Authorized but not Actual Indebtedness.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Campbell*—Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fire-insurance Policy Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Campbell*—Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Insurance Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Campbell*—Bill (No. 66) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘British Columbia Fire Insurance Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Evidence Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 68) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Execution Act.’”

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

1. Is the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acting as solicitors for the Northern Construction Company, Limited?
2. Has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge at any time acted as solicitors for the Northern Construction Company, Limited?
3. If so, during what period of time or times has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acted as solicitors for the Northern Construction Company, Limited?
4. Is the registered office of the Northern Construction Company, Limited, in the office of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge?

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

“1. The firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge has at times acted for the Northern Construction Company in connection with local work of the company.

“2. Answered by No. 1.

“3. This work has been done at various times from July 20th, 1910.

“4. The firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge has never formally been appointed solicitors for the company.”

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

1. Is the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acting as solicitors for P. Welch?
2. Has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge at any time acted as solicitors for P. Welch?
3. If so, during what period of time or times has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acted as solicitors for P. Welch?

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

“The firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge have acted as local solicitors for P. Welch from the 7th February, 1913.”

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

1. Is the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acting as solicitors for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company?
2. Has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge at any time acted as solicitors for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company?

3. If so, during what period of time or times has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acted as solicitors for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company?

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

“These questions have already been answered. The firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge has done certain work for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company from the 4th day of July, 1912, principally in relation to right-of-way matters. D’Arcy Tate, K.C., of Victoria, has been general counsel for the company, and we understand he, as well as other firms, have done the greater part of the solicitors’ work.”

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

1. Is the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acting as solicitors for the firm of Foley, Welch & Stewart?

2. Has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge at any time acted as solicitors for the firm of Foley, Welch & Stewart?

3. If so, during what period of time or times has the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge acted as solicitors for the firm of Foley, Welch & Stewart?

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

“The firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge is not now and has never been solicitors for Foley, Welch & Stewart. They acted in one matter for this firm as agents for P. E. Wilson, barrister, at Fort George.”

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

1. What amount of money has been paid the principal contractor for the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway on account of overhaul of construction material at \$1 per ton per mile?

2. Does this overhaul charge cover the cost of transporting rails, spikes, ties, or other construction materials by train along the line of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?

3. What part of this overhaul charge is for train haul of materials?

4. What is the amount for each class of such materials?

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

“1. \$94,872.21.

“2. No.

“3. None.

“4. Answered by Nos. 1 and 2.”

Mr. *Brewster* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following question:—

Has the Pacific Great Eastern Railway obtained a loan or any financial assistance from the Government of the Dominion of Canada; and, if so, what are the amount and terms of such loan?

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

“No.”

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia” was resumed.

On the motion of Mr. *Brewster*, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment” was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.



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

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*May 8th, 1916.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Law Stamp Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

That Dr. *Young* be relieved from acting further on the Committee to inquire into the Victoria by-election, and that Mr. *M. Manson* be appointed to take his place.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

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Tuesday, 9th May, 1916.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Robert Hughes*.

Mr. *Hunter* presented a report from Mining Committee specially referring to the petition of R. T. Ward *re* the restaking of the "Bullion" property, Quesnel Mining Division, Cariboo District, B.C., together with the evidence taken by the Committee.

The report is as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
May 9th, 1916.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Mining beg leave to report as follows:—

After careful consideration of the evidence adduced relative to the petition of Mr. R. T. Ward, your Committee fails to find that any wrong or injustice has been done to the petitioner.  
Respectfully submitted.

WM. HUNTER, *Chairman.*

Mr. *Hunter* moved. That the report be received.  
A debate arose, which was adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. Has the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company received at any time any moneys from the Government other than those derived from their guaranteed securities and the payment of \$316,016.50 on interest account?

2. If so, what was the date of, the reasons for, the amount of, and the terms and conditions of such payment?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia" was resumed.

On the motion of Mr. *M. A. Macdonald*, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*May 9th, 1916.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*May 9th, 1916.*

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

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

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## Wednesday, 10th May, 1916.

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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. H. H. Elliott.

The adjourned debate on the motion to receive the report of the Mining Committee on the petition of R. T. Ward *re* "Bullion" mining property was resumed.

Moved by Mr. Williams in amendment, seconded by Mr. Callanan,—

That the report be referred back to the Committee with instructions to append thereto the following minority report as an appendix:—

"We regret our inability to concur in the findings of the Committee.

"Some confusion and a premature closing of the investigation was occasioned through the petitioner being compelled to change counsel during the hearing, consequently the Committee did not have the benefit of hearing the persons who would profit by the cancellation of the Ward leases.

"Later, on request being made, your Committee, by the casting-vote of the Chairman, refused to hear what was alleged to be new and important evidence bearing directly on the question.

"It would appear to us that to pass upon the legal status of the Ward leases would be to assume a duty which was not delegated to us, and for which, as a Committee of the House, we possess no peculiar fitness, while such evidence as was submitted was not sufficiently exhaustive to enable us to come to a fair conclusion as to what adjustment should be made or course pursued. We regret, therefore, the decision of the Committee to exclude evidence as above referred to; but in the interests of the mining industry we beg to submit that to allow interests of such magnitude as are herein involved to become forfeited by at most a technical failure, which itself is denied, and, again, to allow such interest to be acquired by the mere act of placing several stakes in the ground, is to place a stamp of insecurity on British Columbia mining property that must inevitably have evil results on that industry."

"PARKER WILLIAMS,

"M. CALLANAN,

"M. A. MACDONALD,

"JOHN T. W. PLACE."

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

On the motion of Mr. MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. Cawley, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the following Resolution:—

"That it is advisable in the opinion of this House that all eggs imported for sale within the Province shall be marked with the country of their origin, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. MacKenzie do prepare and bring in the said Bill."

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That it is advisable, in the opinion of this Committee, that all eggs imported for sale within the Province shall be marked with the country of their origin, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. F. J. A. MacKenzie do prepare and bring in the said Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

Resolution reported and adopted.

On the motion of Mr. MacKenzie, Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the Marking of Eggs" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. M. A. Macdonald asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Who are the persons who occupied the position of Minister or Acting Minister of Finance during the period between January 1st, 1912, and the present time?

2. For what period of time did such persons act as: (a) Finance Minister; (b) Acting Finance Minister?

The Hon. Mr. Bowser replied as follows:—

"1. Mr. Price Ellison was Minister of Finance and Agriculture between the 1st January, 1912, and 6th March, 1915. The Honourable W. J. Bowser was Minister of Finance and Agriculture between the 9th March, 1915, and the 14th December, 1915. Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt was Minister of Finance and Agriculture between the 15th December, 1915, and the 16th March, 1916. The Honourable L. A. Campbell was appointed Minister of Finance and Agriculture on the 17th March, 1916. Between the 1st January, 1912, and the present date no person has been appointed Acting Minister of Finance and Agriculture.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act respecting Shipping and to make Provision for Aid to the Ship-building Industry in the Province of British Columbia" was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900, Amendment Act, 1916.'"

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act.'"

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to authorize the Issue of a Crown Grant to Lot 113, Group 1, Cariboo District."

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to validate a certain Grant made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria in Aid of the Militia."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Replevin Act.'"

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to enable the Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert to issue Annuity Instalment or Serial Bonds, instead of Sinking Fund Debentures; and to provide for the Financing of the said City, both Permanent and Temporary, with regard to Present Actual Indebtedness, and to Permanently Finance with regard to Authorized but not Actual Indebtedness.'"

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire-insurance Policy Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fire Insurance Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act.'"

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Law Stamp Act.'"

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Surveys Act.'"

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

The Report on Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was adopted.  
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act'" was again committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sale of Goods Act'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was again committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was again committed.  
Reported without amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for Compensation to Workmen for Injuries sustained and Industrial Diseases contracted in the Course of their Employment" was again committed.

Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Registered Nurses" was again committed.

Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.35 p.m.