

Friday, 22nd February, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Scriven*.

Colonel *Baker* presented a Petition from *C. McKay* and others, residents of *Golden, Kootenay District*, (re road from *Golden* to *McMurdo District*).

Laid on the table.

The Petition from *Joseph Hunter* and others for a Private Bill (National Electric Tramway and Lighting Company, Limited), was read and received.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Fourth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, reporting that the Standing Orders had been complied with in regard to the following Bill:—

“An Act to Incorporate the Canadian Western Central Railway Company.”

The Report was read and received.

Mr. *Higgins* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act to prevent the indiscriminate sale or use of Poisons.”

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Higgins*, seconded by Mr. *Nason*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a return of all correspondence, if any, between the Provincial Government and the Imperial and Dominion Governments, or between the Provincial Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, or any other companies or persons, with respect to the calling of the Oriental steamships at the ports of *Victoria* and *Esquimalt*, in accordance with the request contained in a resolution of this House of March 8th, 1887.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Vernon*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the present Session be taken into consideration on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Humphreys*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee, composed of Messrs. *Beaven*, *Baker*, *Higgins*, *Cowan*, and the mover, be appointed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report to this House upon all matters connected with the artesian well boring experiment, together with any conclusion that may be arrived at as to the work done, the implements used, &c., &c.

The Hon. Mr. *Humphreys* asked the Hon. Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to construct one or more Schools in the *Comox* Settlement this year?

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* replied as follows:—

“No. There has been no application made that has not been promptly granted.”

Mr. *Orr* asked the Honourable the Attorney-General the following question:—

What steps have been taken, and with what result, to recover the sum of \$250,000 from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, forfeited by them for the non-fulfilment of their contract with the Government of British Columbia in respect to the extension of the railway to *Coal Harbour* and *English Bay*, and whether it is the intention to prosecute the suit?

The Honourable Mr. *A. E. B. Davie*, replied as follows:—

“An action was brought in February, 1887; the Company pleaded, amongst other defences, that they were prevented from proceeding with construction owing to the injunctions of the Supreme Court. On behalf of the Province it was objected that the statement, even if true, was no answer to the action. The view of the Province was sustained by the judgment of the Chief Justice. An appeal was taken to the Full Court in March, 1888, when the Company were allowed to amend their defence. A second defence raised the same point, and argument thereon took place before Mr. Justice *Gray*, in July, August, and October of last year. Judgment was reserved, and has not yet been given.”

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 15) intituled “An Act respecting Re-registration of Voters,” was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed on Tuesday next.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery,” was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Cowan*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act to repeal sections 10 and 11 of the ‘Magistrates Act,’” 51 Vic., chap. 78, (volume 1, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was read a second time and committed, with Mr. *Ladner* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered on Tuesday next.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Tolmie* moved—That Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to prevent Trespass on Enclosed Lands,” be read a second time now.

The Honourable Mr. *Humphreys* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Nason*,—

To strike out all the words after the word “That” and insert in lieu thereof the words “the Bill be referred to a Select Committee, with power to report a Bill to this House.”

Amendment put and carried.

Original resolution as amended put and carried.

The following Members were appointed on the said Committee, viz.:—Messrs. *Ladner*, *Fry*, *Anderson*, *Thomson*, and *Tolmie*.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 26th February, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. Fraser*.

The Petition from *C. McKay* and others, residents of *Golden, Kootenay District*, (re road from *Golden* to *McMurdo District*), was ruled out of order, as the same asked for an appropriation of public moneys.

Mr. *T. Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 25) intituled “An Act respecting Pharmacy.”

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Robson*,—

That the Public Accounts presented on the 5th instant, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Beaven* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bole*,—

That the words “presented on the 5th instant,” be struck out, and the words “to date” be inserted in lieu thereof.

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution as amended put and carried.

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. What acreage of land has been applied for under section 30 of the “Land Act, 1884,” (sale of unsurveyed land) and sec. 59 (sale of pastoral land), from 18th February, 1884, to date?

2. Was the ten per cent. cash deposit made in each case at the date of the application, and what disposition was made at the time, and subsequently, of the money so received by the Lands and Works Department?

3. What acreage of land has the survey been accepted for, and the remaining ninety per cent. in cash received, under sections 30 and 59, during the above-mentioned period, and what is the maximum and the minimum acreage granted to any one individual or corporation?

4. How much money has been forfeited to the Crown under sections 30 and 59 of the “Land Act, 1884,” since the 18th February, 1884?

5. What acreage of land has been granted by the Crown, and how much revenue paid into the Treasury, under section 40, 50 Vic., chap. 17, “An Act to amend the ‘Land Act, 1884?’”

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

“1st. Under section 30—80,999 acres; under section 59—179,239 acres.

“2nd. The deposit was made at time of the application, with two exceptions. The moneys so received have been duly paid into the Treasury.

“3rd. The survey has been accepted for, and the balance of the purchase money paid upon, 143,361 acres. The maximum area granted in one lot is 685 acres, and the minimum half an acre.

“4th. \$1,716.50.

“5th. The section of the Act referred to relates only to lands which are chiefly valuable for timber, and as there was no distinction made between timber and agricultural lands prior to the date of that Act, no distinctive grants have been made under that section.

“NOTE—The above areas do not include lands applied for or granted under Eagle Pass Land Warrants.”

Mr. *Semlin* asked the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

Has a road been constructed at *Salmon Arm* in accordance with the wishes of the Settlers as expressed by their Petition? If not so constructed, will the Government be prepared to have the work gone on with at an early date?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

“No road has as yet been constructed in the locality referred to.

“The report submitted by the Road Superintendent shows that a larger sum than is available at the present time would be required for its construction.

“I am not prepared to say when the work will be gone on with.”

Mr. *Vernon* presented a copy of the Report of Mr. *E. B. McKay*, and of all correspondence, regarding the artesian well boring experiment in *Yale District*.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act respecting Summary Proceedings before Justices of the Peace,” was considered.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Humphreys*,—

To amend section 33 by inserting in line four, after the word “Attorney,” the following words “or by any other person.”

Mr. *T. Davie* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Allen*,—

To insert after the word “or” the words “in any place not being a city or town.”

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be added to the amendment stand part of the question," and *Resolved* in the affirmative on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Fry,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Davie, A. E. B.,</i>	<i>Tolmie,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>Anderson—15.</i>
<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Orr—5.</i>
<i>Humphreys,</i>			

Resolution as amended put and carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Humphreys*,—

To strike out the words "at hard labour," in line 22 of Schedule J.

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 :

## Messieurs

<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>
<i>Bole,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Tolmie,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Davie, A. E. B.,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>Croft—12.</i>

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Orr,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>
<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Anderson—9.</i>
<i>Ladner,</i>			

Report adopted.

Bill *Ordered* to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act'" (Chap. 104, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Mason*, Acting Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

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Wednesday, 27th February, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. Fraser*.

Mr. *Ladner* presented a Petition from *T. F. Sinclair* and others, residents of *Maple Ridge*, (re construction of a road).

Laid on the table.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Fifth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, reporting that the Standing Orders had been complied with in regard to the following Bills:--

An Act to Incorporate the Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Navigation Company.  
 An Act to Incorporate the National Electric Tramway and Lighting Company, Limited.  
 The Report was read and received.

Mr. *Anderson* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the National Electric Tramway and Lighting Company, Limited."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented a Return, in detail, of the items as brought to account in the Treasury during the fiscal year 1887-88, under the following heads:--Fines and Forfeitures, \$10,048.08; Probate Fees, \$3,244.93; Sale of Government Property, \$393.35; Reimbursements in Aid, \$570.75; Interest, \$10,976.62; Miscellaneous Receipts, \$31,544.05.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Higgins* moved—That Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to prevent the indiscriminate sale or use of Poisons," be read a second time now.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Election Regulation Act'" (Chap. 39, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Vernon* moved to add the following as a new clause:—

"7. This Act shall not come into force in the Districts of Yale and Lillooet until such time as a majority of the registered voters in each, or either, of these Districts shall petition the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to have the provisions of this Act applied to them."

Proposed clause read a first time

Proposed clause read a second time and added to the Bill.

Report adopted

*Ordered* to be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery," was considered.

Mr. *Anderson* moved—That the Report be adopted.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to repeal sections 10 and 11 of the 'Magistrates Act'" (51 Vic., chap. 78, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was considered and adopted.

*Ordered* to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88 of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities'" (in volume one of the Consolidated Acts, 1888), was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Ladner*, Chairman of the Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting Summary Proceedings before Justices of the Peace," was read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act'" (Chapter 104, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Nason*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. *Bole* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act respecting the Divisional Court."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:40 o'clock, p. m.

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Thursday, 28th February, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. Fraser*.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Sixth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report as follows:—

The Standing Orders have been complied with in regard to Petitions for Private Bills intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Brocton Point Athletic Club," "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company."

Your Committee considered a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coquitlam Waterworks Act, 1886,'" and found the preamble was not proved.

Your Committee have the honour to recommend that the time for reporting Private Bills be extended to the 25th of March.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

Mr. *Mason* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Canadian Western Central Railway Company."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Allen* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bole*,—

That, in the opinion of this House, the action of the Government in agreeing to adopt the report of a Select Committee of the House, and not subsequently carrying into effect its recommendations, is incorrect.

Mr. *Martin* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Thomson*,—

To strike out all the words after "That," and insert "no instance has been shewn in which the Government has agreed to adopt the report of a Select Committee, and subsequently failed to carry the report into effect."

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Bole,</i>	<i>Orr—7.</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>
<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Tolmie,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Nason,</i>	<i>Davie, A. E. B.,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir.</i>	<i>Anderson—17.</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>			

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the question," and *Resolved* in the affirmative on the same division.

Resolution as amended put and carried.

On the motion of Mr. *Bole*, seconded by Mr. *Semlin*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying His Honour to represent to the Dominion Government the great necessity which exists of taking steps at an early date to establish quarantine stations at *New Westminster*, *Vancouver*, and *Nanaimo*.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* presented, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, the Seventeenth Annual Report on the Public Schools of the Province, for the year 1887-88.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:15 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 1st March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. Fraser*.

Mr. *Orr* presented a Petition from *James Duff* and others, settlers of Townships 10, 11, 13, and 14, *New Westminster District*, (construction of a road to *Fraser River*).

Laid on the table.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* presented a Petition from *J. C. Armstrong* and others (*re* reducing level of water of *Burnaby Lake*).

Laid on the table.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Seventh Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report that they have found the preamble proved of "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster Act, 1888,'" and they report the Bill complete with amendments.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

The Honourable Mr. *Dunsmuir* presented a Petition from *Thos. Armstrong* and others, miners, &c., (*re* reserving *Texada Island* for mining purposes).

Laid on the table.

Mr. *Tolmie* presented a Report from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to prevent Trespass on Enclosed Lands," reporting the Bill, with amendments thereto.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Duck*, seconded by Mr. *Tolmie*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a return showing the amount at which Personal Property is assessed in the Province, and the amount of taxes received under this heading in the different Municipalities, between the 30th June, 1887, and the 31st December, 1888; also the names of all persons assessed on Income, the amount at which each such person is assessed in each of the several Electoral Districts, designating the names of all persons assessed in each Municipality which forms only a part of any such Electoral District.

Mr. *Higgins* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act relating to the offence of Libel in Civil Cases."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Tolmie*, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Honour to represent to the Dominion Government the urgent necessity of enforcing the "Animal Contagious Diseases Act" in the Province.

Mr. *Higgins* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the names of Messrs. *Ladner* and *Tolmie* be substituted for those of Messrs. *Beaven* and *Higgins*. The Committee then to consist of Messrs. *Baker*, *Cowan*, *Ladner*, *Tolmie* and the mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report to this House, upon all matters connected with the artesian well boring experiment, together with any conclusions that may be arrived at as to the work done, the implements used, &c.

On the motion of Mr. *Higgins*, seconded by Mr. *Nason*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a return of the names and residence, with date of appointment, of all persons on the Commission of the Peace of the Province.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by Mr. *Semlin*,—

That Mr. *Higgins*, Member for *Esquimalt*, be substituted for Mr. *T. Davie*, Member for *Victoria City*, upon the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.



The motion was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Orr,</i>	<i>Davie, T.—6.</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Nason,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Truner,</i>	<i>Anderson—14.</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>		

Mr. *Orr* asked the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

What are the boundaries and extent of the Indian Reserve at the mouth of *Capilano Creek, New Westminster District*? The number of families residing thereon? What are the boundaries and the extent of the Indian Reserve lying east of Lot 469, Group I, north shore of *Burrard Inlet*, and the number of families resident thereon?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

“The Indian Reserve at *Capilano Creek* is bounded on the east by Lot 264, on the west by Lot 237, on the north by the Moodyville Saw Mill Company’s timber lease and by the *Capilano Creek*, and on the south by *Burrard Inlet*. It contains 518 acres.

“The other Reserve is bounded on the east by Lots 230 and 551, on the west by Lot 469, on the north by Lots 621 and 622, and on the south by *Burrard Inlet*. It contains 275 acres.

“The Indians for whom these Reserves, and two others, have been established, are reported to number 639 souls.”

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

What settlement was arrived at regarding the *Sumas Dyking Lands* with the Dominion Government; and why the particulars of said settlement has not been submitted to this House; and whether both Governments are not at the present time dealing with the said lands? Also how the money, if any, received by the Provincial Government has been disposed of?

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* replied as follows:—

“The terms of settlement are set out in Papers laid before the House on the 5th ultimo, and since printed.

“Neither Government is dealing with the lands at present, as federal legislation is held to be necessary.

“The money is in the Provincial Treasury, having been brought to suspense account.”

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Higgins* moved—That Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Election Regulation Act,’” (Chap. 39, Consolidated Acts, 1888), be read a third time now.

Mr. *T. Davie* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Allen*,—

That all the words after “That” be struck out, and the following inserted: “the Bill be recommitted.”

Amendment put and carried.

The Bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Mason*, in the Chair.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Bill was reported complete with amendments. Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act to repeal sections 10 and 11 of the ‘Magistrates Act,’” 51 Vic. chap. 78, (volume 1, Consolidated Act, 1888), was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was considered.

Section one was amended by striking out the words "the District of Victoria" in line 4, and inserting "Victoria District, as defined by Schedule A of the Constitution Act."

Section three was amended by striking out word "proceeding" in the second line and inserting "first," and by inserting after the word "section" on line two, the words "of this Act."

Report as amended *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

The adjourned debate on the motion to adopt the Report of Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery," was resumed.

Mr. *Orr* moved that the following be added as section 2:—

"2. That notwithstanding anything contained in any Act relating to the practice of Medicine and Surgery, that all Homeopathic Physicians applying for the right to practice in the Province of British Columbia shall first pass a satisfactory examination before the Medical Board in the following subjects, viz.:—Anatomy, physiology, pathology, chemistry, obstetrics, surgery, and medical jurisprudence; and that a Homeopathic Physician who has passed a satisfactory examination in the above branches shall be a member of the examining board, for the purpose of examining any applicant to practice Homeopathy in the following subjects: *Materia Medica*, and theory and practice of *Medicine*."

Mr. *Higgins* moved in amendment—To strike out of the sixth line all the words after "shall" and insert the following: "upon producing a diploma from any authorized college, of which the Provincial Secretary shall be satisfied, be deemed entitled to practice medicine and surgery in this Province."

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Dunsmuir*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, and that this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Thursday next, to consider this Resolution.

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* gave the following additional answer to the questions asked by Mr. *Beaven* on the 26th February:—

"The largest area granted to any individual or corporation, under clauses 30 and 59 of the 'Land Act, 1884,' is 4,819 acres."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p.m.

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Thursday, 7th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Allen*, from *A. B. Ferguson* and others, residents of *Lillooet*, (*re* liquor licence held by *Ah Foo*).

By Mr. *Duck*, from the Corporation of the City of *Victoria*, for a Private Bill (amendment of Official Map Act).

By Mr. *Bole*, from *J. A. Laidlaw* and others, for a Private Bill, (*re* reclaiming land at *Burnaby Lake*).

By Mr. *Dunsmuir*, from *Walter Harvey* and others, settlers on *Campbell River* (for construction of road).

By Mr. *Martin*, from *L. Campbell* and others, residents of *Yale* (application of Winter Stock Ranges Act to *Yale District*).

Also Petitions on the same subject from—

The residents of *Duck's Polling Division*.

Do. *Nicola Lake* do.

Do. *Grand Prairie*.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Petition from *Thos. Armstrong* and others, miners, &c., (re reserving *Texada Island* for mining purposes).

Petition from *J. C. Armstrong* and others (re reducing level of water of *Burnaby Lake*).

The following Petitions were ruled out of order:—

Petition from *James Duff* and others, Settlers of Townships 10, 11, 13, and 14, *New Westminster District*, (construction of a road to *Fraser River*).

Petition from *T. F. Sinclair* and others, residents of *Maple Ridge*, (re construction of a road).

Colonel *Baker* presented the Eighth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Standing Committee on Private Bills have the honour to report the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver Street Railways Company," with amendments.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* presented the following Returns:—

The names and residences, with date of appointment, of all persons on the Commission of the Peace of the Province.

Copies of correspondence between the Government, or any member thereof, and any person or persons, in reference to the Incorporation of *Kamloops*.

Copies of all correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Imperial and Dominion Governments, or between the Provincial Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, or any other companies or persons, with respect to the calling of the Oriental Steamships at the ports of *Victoria* and *Esquimalt*, in accordance with the request contained in a resolution of this House of March, 1887.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Brockton Point Athletic Club."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Colonel *Baker* asked leave to introduce a Private Bills (No. 33) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Navigation Company."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Nason* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Thomson* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act,'" 51 Vic., chap. 21, (Vol. I, Consolidated Acts, 1888).

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Tolmie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act.'"

Leave be granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the motion—That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Vernon*,—*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

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

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution.

Report *Ordered* to be considered forthwith.

*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88 of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities,' in vol 1, Consolidated Acts, 1888," was considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act respecting Re registration of Voters," was discharged.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *T. Davie* moved—That Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act respecting Pharmacy," be read a second time now.

The Honourable Mr. *Humphreys* moved in amendment—To strike out the word "now" and insert "this day three months."

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the adjourned debate on the amendments moved to the motion to adopt the Report of Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery," was resumed.

The amendment moved by Mr. *Higgins* was negatived.

The proposed clause 2, moved by Mr. *Orr*, was negatived.

The debate on the original question was continued, and adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 8th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented and laid on the table:—

By Mr. *Grant*, from *W. A. Robertson* and others (*re Blacksmiths' apprentices*).

By Hon. Mr. *Robson*, from the Corporation of the City of *Vancouver* for a Private Bill (amendment of Act of Incorporation).

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and this Petition was then read and received.

By Mr. *Ladner*, from *Alex. Cameron* and others, residents of Township 10, *New Westminster District* (for road construction).

By Mr. *T. Davie*, from *Wm. Wilson* (*re Mammoth Mineral Claim*).

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Petition from *A. B. Ferguson* and others, residents of *Lillooet*, (*re liquor licence held by Ah Foo*).

Petition from the Corporation of the City of *Victoria*, for a Private Bill (amendment of Official Map Act).

Petition from *J. A. Laidlaw* and others, for a Private Bill, (*re reclaiming land at Burnaby Lake*).

The following Petitions were ruled out of order:—

Petition from *Walter Harvey* and others, settlers on *Campbell River*, (for construction of road).

Petition from *L. Campbell* and others, residents of *Yale*, (application of Winter Stock Ranges Act to *Yale District*)

Petition from residents of *Duck's Polling Division*, on the same subject.

Petition from residents of *Nicola Lake*, do.

Petition from residents of *Grand Prairie*, do.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Ninth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the National Electric Tramway and Lighting Company, Limited," and the Bill complete with amendments.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

Colonel *Baker* presented the First Report from the Select Standing Committee on Railways.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Standing Committee on Railways have the honour to report the preambles proved and the following Bills complete with amendments:—

1. "An Act to amend the New Westminster Southern Railway Company Act."

2. "An Act to Incorporate the New Westminster and Vancouver Short-line Railway Company."

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

Mr. Orr moved, seconded by Mr. Ladner,—

That a Select Committee be appointed, composed of Messrs. T. Davie, Bole, Higgins, Duck and the mover, with power to call for persons, papers, maps, and registers, and report to this House, respecting all matters connected with the survey of the old Townsite of Granville, the sale by auction of certain lots in said townsite in the year 1870, and the subsequent disposition of the remaining lots, or otherwise.

Mr. Duck moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Mason,—

To strike out all the words after "That" down to the first "the" on the third line, and insert the words "the Government be requested to take into its consideration," and add at the end of the resolution the following words:—"with a view to ascertaining whether the rights of the Province have been legally conserved in the disposition of the lots referred to."

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Humphreys, it was Resolved,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will strongly point out to the Dominion Government the very urgent necessity that exists for providing for the carrying of a mail twice every month from the first day of April to the last day of October in each year, and at least three times during the intervening winter season, between Victoria and Skidegate and Masset Inlets, Queen Charlotte Islands, by steamers having accommodation for passengers.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to prevent Trespass on Enclosed Lands," be placed on the Order of the Day for a second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88 of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities'" (in volume one of the Consolidated Acts, 1888), was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:45 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 12th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. E. Starr.

The Petition from W. A. Robertson and others (*re* Blacksmiths' apprentices), was read and received and Ordered to be printed.

The following Petitions were ruled out of order:—

Petition from Wm. Wilson (*re* Mammoth Mineral Claim).

Petition from Alex. Cameron and others, residents of Township 10, New Westminster District (for road construction).

Mr. Grant presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the manner in which the authority granted to the Executive Council to aid in the development of Quartz Mines has been exercised.

Also a Minority Report.

The Reports were read, received, and Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bole asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to regulate Conditional Sales."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Allen*, seconded by Mr. *Toimie*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the condition and working of the *Victoria Gaol*, with power to call for persons and papers and report to this House; said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Ladner*, *Duck*, *Semlin*, *Anderson*, and the mover.

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, seconded by Mr. *Martin*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, asking His Honour to bring to the attention of the Dominion Government the necessity of providing weekly mail facilities for that part of British Columbia from *Okanagan* to *Osoyoos*, *Rock Creek* and *Keremeous*.

On the motion of Mr. *Orr*, seconded by Mr. *Ladner*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed for the purpose of enquiring into the manner of letting contracts for bridges and other public works. Said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Semlin*, *Martin*, *Allen*, *Mason* and the mover, with power to call for persons, books, papers, tenders, plans, and specifications, &c, and to report to this House.

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

What is the largest acreage in any one Crown grant issued to an individual or corporation for land purchased under section 30, "Land Act, 1884," (sale of unsurveyed land) or section 59, "Land Act, 1884," (sale of pastoral land) since 18th February, 1884?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

"892 acres under section 30, and 2,476 acres under section 59."

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

What amount of money has the Government expended in the effort to obtain the \$250,000 from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, to date? Do the Government intend to pursue the Company any further?

The Honourable Mr. *A. E. B. Davie*, replied as follows:—

"The sum of \$150 has been paid to the Solicitor for the Province on account of his costs. He estimates the whole liability of the Province, to costs on both sides, at \$500. It is not the intention of the Government to further proceed with the action."

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the New Westminster and Vancouver Short-line Railway Company," was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 25a) intituled "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster Southern Railway Company Act,'" was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Mr. *Nason* moved—That Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act,'" be read a second time now.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act,'" was read a second time and committed, with Mr. *Nason* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver Street Railway Company," was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88, of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities,' in vol. 1, Consolidated Acts, 1888," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 13th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. E. Starr*.

Mr. *Grant* presented a Petition from *Thos. Shotbolt* and others (opposing passing of Bill No. 24 relating to Poisons).

Laid on the table.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Tenth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Limited," and the Bill complete with amendments.

Dated 13th March, 1889.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented a Return showing the amount at which Personal Property is assessed in the Province, and the amount of taxes received under this heading in the different Municipalities, between the 30th June, 1887, and the 31st December, 1888; also the names of all persons assessed on Income, the amount at which each such person is assessed in each of the several Electoral Districts, designating the names of all persons assessed in each Municipality which forms only a part of any such Electoral District.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented the Public Accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1888, (period from 1st July to 31st December, 1888).

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and the Public Accounts to 31st December, 1888, were referred to the Public Accounts Committee.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the National Electric Tramway and Lighting Company," was read a second time.

*Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the New Westminster and Vancouver Short-line Railway Company," was considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

Bill (No. 25a) intituled "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster Southern Railway Company Act,'" was considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Fry* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

The adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act,'" was resumed.

The Order was discharged and the Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Mines.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act,'" was discharged and the Bill referred to the Select Standing Committee on Mines.



Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act,'" was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

The adjourned debate (on 8th March) on Mr. *Orr's* motion relative to the ownership of certain water lots in the old *Granville* Townsite, and Mr. *Duck's* amendment thereto, was resumed.

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution as amended put and carried.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 14th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. E. Starr*.

Colonel *Baker* presented a Petition from *J. M. Carrall* and others, miners of *Rogers' Pass*, *Illecillewaet*, and *Donald*, *Kootenay District*, (*re* amendments to the Mineral Act).

Laid on the table.

The Petition from *Thos. Shotbolt* and others (opposing passing of Bill No. 24, relating to Poisons), was read and received.

*Ordered* to be printed.

Colonel *Baker* presented the Eleventh Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

The Report read as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report that in the Petition to introduce a Bill for permission to organize a company for the purpose of draining and reclaiming Burnaby Lake, the Standing Orders as to notices have been complied with by the insertion of the proposed object in view in the *British Columbia Gazette* for the usual period, but the insertion in the local paper falls short of the usual period by two days. But inasmuch as parties opposed to the Petition, and whose interests are supposed to be concerned, have presented a counter Petition, and thereby proved a knowledge of the object in view, your Committee recommend that the Petition to introduce the Bill be received.

Your Committee have also to ask permission to suspend the Standing Orders, in order that the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Victoria may have leave to introduce a Bill for the adjustment of the governing points along the central lines of the streets, notwithstanding that the usual Standing Orders as to notices have not been complied with.

Dated 14th March, 1889.

JAMES BAKER, *Chairman*.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Fry*, seconded by Mr. *Martin*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to call for persons, papers, maps, and records, and to report to this House, to enquire into all matters relating to the west half of Section 11, Range 2, *Cowichan District*, sold by the Crown on 16th November, 1876, and which said piece of land is claimed by the Indians, as forming part of the Indian Reserve at *Cowichan*. The said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *T. Davie*, *Martin*, *Bole*, *Croft*, and the mover.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver Street Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Mason* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88, of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities, in vol. 1, Consolidated Acts, 1888,'" was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended for the purpose of enabling the time limited for presenting Private Bills to the House to be extended.

*Ordered*, That the time limited for presenting Private Bills to the House be extended to Friday, the 22nd March.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended to enable the Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented to-day, to be adopted.

The Report from the said Committee was then adopted.

Mr. *Beaven* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Victoria Official Map Act, 1880.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Mr. *Bole* asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Burnaby Lake Improvement Company."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

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Friday, 15th March, 1889.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. W. Wadman*.

Mr. *Allen* presented a Petition from *A. B. Ferguson* and others, residents of *Lillooet District*, (re keeping the public roads in repair).

Laid on the table.

The Petition from *J. M. Carrall* and others, miners of *Rogers' Pass, Illecillewaet*, and *Donald, Kootenay District* (re amendments to the Mineral Act), was read and received.

Mr. *Ladner* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Election Regulation Act'" (Chap. 39, Consolidated Acts, 1888), was considered and adopted.  
 Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 25a) intituled "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster Southern Railway Company Act,'" was considered and adopted.  
*Ordered* to be read a third time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, was read a second time.  
*Ordered* to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Municipalities, and to repeal chap. 88, of 51 Vict., intituled 'An Act respecting Municipalities, in vol. 1, Consolidated Acts, 1888,'" was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair. The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.  
*Ordered*, That leave be granted for Monday next.

Mr. *T. Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'" Leave granted.  
 Bill introduced and read a first time.  
*Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Higgins* moved, seconded by Mr. *Duck*,—  
 That an Order of the House be granted for a return of all correspondence relative to the claim of *E. John, Jr.*, to compensation for imprisonment under a conviction by the Supreme Court, from which imprisonment he was released by order of the Governor-General, such return to include the report on the case by the Chief Justice of the Dominion and the Minister of Justice.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.  
 The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

HUGH NELSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province of British Columbia for the year ending 30th June, 1890; and, in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*15th March, 1889.*

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Robson*,—  
*Ordered*, That the Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:50 o'clock, p. m.