

Monday, February 17th, 1930.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Hood*.

Mr. Speaker presented the First Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the draft of the revision of the Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding of the Legislative Assembly as presented to the House on March 12th, 1929, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

SPEAKER'S CHAMBERS,
February 10th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee appointed on January 30th, 1930, to consider the draft of the revision of Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding of the Legislative Assembly as presented to the House on March 12th, 1929, begs leave to report as follows:—

(1.) Since the draft was presented to this House last Session the same was submitted to Mr. Arthur Beauchesne, K.C., Clerk of the House of Commons, who after generally approving the draft has kindly made some valuable suggestions.

(2.) The Committee has carefully considered the said draft and suggestions mentioned and has agreed to certain amendments which, in the opinion of the Committee, will be conducive to the regularity and dispatch of the business of the House; and submit herewith the draft rules as amended and as part of this report.

(3.) The Committee recommends:—

(a.) That the Rules as amended be adopted as the Standing Orders of the House.

(b.) That the existing Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding be repealed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. JONES, *Chairman*.

On the motion of Mr. *Twiggy*, seconded by Mr. *Kennedy*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the report be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Borden*, Bill (No. 30) 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 the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *A. M. Manson*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Burden* presented corrected answers to questions asked by Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* on February 13th, as follows:—

3. What amount was collected in timber royalties, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

4. What amount was collected from timber-sales, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

"3. Timber royalties, \$1,292,554.12.

"4. Timber-sales, \$540,708.84."

The Hon. Mr. *Poolcy* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*:—

1. Who were employed by the Government as Crown Prosecutors during 1929?

2. Where were they employed?

3. What was the remuneration in each case?

4. What other lawyers were employed by the Government during 1929?

5. For what purpose were such employed?

6. What was the amount paid to each?

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Agriculture from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Agriculture from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. \$1,239.30 for seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.

"2. \$1,494.85."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by Mr. E. D. Barrow, when Minister of Agriculture, during the four and three-quarter months from April 1st, 1928, to August 20th, 1928?

2. Was a Provincial general election held during the above-named period?

3. If so, on what dates were the writs for such general election issued?

4. When was the said election held?

5. Did Mr. Barrow, when Minister of Agriculture, make any trips through the Province after the date of the issuance of said writs and before the said election?

6. What amount was expended in travelling expenses for the said trips?

7. Did Mr. Barrow put in vouchers for maintenance on said trips?

8. If so, to what amount, and for how many days?

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

"1. \$733.20.

"2. Yes.

"3. June 7th, 1928.

"4. July 18th, 1928.

"5. Yes.

"6. \$179.20.

"7. Yes.

"8. \$130; thirteen days."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Prime Minister from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Prime Minister from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. \$1,045.60 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.

"2. \$403.85."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Finance from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Finance from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. \$931.65 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.

"2. \$663.85."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by Dr. MacLean, when Minister of Finance, during the four and three-quarter months from April 1st, 1928, to August 20th, 1928?

2. Did Dr. MacLean incur any travelling expenses during the above-mentioned period charged to a vote other than that relating to the Minister of Finance?

3. If answer is in the affirmative, in what Ministerial capacity were such expenses incurred, and what was the amount?

4. Was a Provincial general election held during the above-named period?

5. If so, on what dates were the writs for such general election issued?

6. When was the said election held?

7. Did Dr. MacLean, when Prime Minister, make any trips through the Province after the date of the issuance of said writs and before the said election?

8. What amount was expended in travelling expenses for the said trips?

9. Did Dr. MacLean put in vouchers for maintenance on said trips?

10. If so, for what amount, and for how many days?

11. What was Dr. MacLean's average daily expenditure, as Prime Minister, for travelling expenses for the period between April 1st, 1928, and the dates of the issuance of the writs for the general election?

12. What was Dr. MacLean's average daily expenditure, as Prime Minister, for travelling expenses for the period between the dates of the issuance of the writs and the date of the general election?

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

"1. \$189.45.

"2. Yes.

"3. Yes; as Prime Minister, \$806.68.

"4. Yes.

"5. June 7th, 1928.

"6. July 18th, 1928.

"7. Yes.

"8. \$492.70.

"9. Yes.

"10. \$185; eighteen and a half days.

"11. \$4.20.

"12. \$12.01."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What was the total of logs scaled during the year 1929?

2. What was the total quantity of logs exported during the year 1929?

3. What quantity of logs under permit to export remained in British Columbia waters at December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. 2,940,307,842 F.B.M.

"2. From Crown-granted lands that carry the statutory right to export, 224,403,833 F.B.M.; under permit, authority of section 91, 'Forest Act,' 12,589,744 F.B.M.; total exported, 236,993,577 F.B.M.

"3. Approximately 5,929,000 F.B.M."

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

1. What was the total quantity of logs scaled during the years 1927 and 1928?
2. What was the total quantity of logs exported during the years 1927 and 1928?

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

"1. Total logs scaled in 1927, 2,535,042,152 F.B.M.; total logs scaled in 1928, 2,832,318,281 F.B.M.

"2. Logs exported:—1927: Exportable, 208,297,827 F.B.M.; under Export Advisory Committee, 73,286,464 F.B.M.; total, 281,584,291 F.B.M. 1928: Exportable, 185,615,987 F.B.M.; under Export Advisory Committee, 26,331,244 F.B.M.; total, 211,947,231 F.B.M."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Public Works from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Public Works from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. \$862.65 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.

"2. Hon. N. S. Lougheed, \$939.50; Hon. W. A. McKenzie (Acting), \$279.20."

Mr. *Dick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was expended in travelling expenses by Dr. Sutherland, when Minister of Public Works, during the four and three-quarter months from April 1st, 1928, to August 20th, 1928?

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

"\$930.30."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Attorney-General from April 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Attorney-General from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. \$43.60 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.

"2. \$95.70."

Mr. *Dick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was expended in travelling expenses by Mr. A. M. Manson, when Attorney-General, during the four and three-quarter months from April 1st, 1928, to August 20th, 1928?

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

"\$356.55."

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

1. Has the Liquor Vendor's Store been moved from 612 Humboldt Street, Victoria?

2. Where is said store now located?

3. What rental was paid for the premises at 612 Humboldt Street?

4. What is the rental of the new premises?

5. Who is the owner of the new premises?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. 634 Humboldt Street, Victoria.

"3. \$130 per month for floor-space then used; the rental asked for a renewal lease for the increased accommodation required was \$300 per month.

"4. \$250 per month.

"5. The Vancouver Island Transportation Company, Limited."

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

1. Was one George Aikman a Game Warden during the year 1929?
2. If so, when was he appointed, and at what salary?
3. What was the amount of his expenses up to December 31st, 1929?
4. Is he still in the Service?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Appointed temporary Game Warden, September 12th, 1929, at salary of \$3.50 per diem.
- "3. \$77.15.
- "4. No."

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

1. Is one George Aikman receiving superannuation from the Government?
2. If so, what was his monthly allowance at June 1st, 1929?
3. What is his monthly allowance now?
4. Has allowance been increased?
5. If so, when, and why?
6. What was his position before retirement from the Service?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$60.
- "3. \$80.
- "4. Yes.
- "5. From December 1st, 1929, by authority of an Order in Council, because of the increase in cost of living between the date of his superannuation in 1915 and the present time. Increases were given on a specified scale to sixteen persons superannuated prior to the passage of the 'Superannuation Act' and during years when the cost of living was from 40 to 70 per cent. lower than at present.

"6. Clerk, Land Registry Office, Victoria."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Provincial Secretary from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?
2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Provincial Secretary from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

- "1. \$511.75 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.
- "2. \$901.85."

Mr. *Dick* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was expended in travelling expenses by Mr. Ian Mackenzie, when Provincial Secretary, during the period of two and a half months he held the portfolio from June 5th, 1928, to August 20th, 1928?

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

"\$215.25."

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

What moneys have been paid to R. F. Tolmie since August 20th, 1928, besides superannuation allowance fixed on his retirement from the Department of Mines, and on what dates were sums paid?

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

"No moneys paid to R. F. Tolmie in addition to superannuation, but under the authority of Order in Council No. 1123, approved on the 24th day of October, 1928, his superannuation was readjusted on the basis of length of service, as disclosed in the Votes and Proceedings of December 14th, 1925. Back superannuation allowance on the said date was paid, amounting to \$940.50."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following question:—

What amount was paid to Captain W. J. Cox from August 20th, 1928, to December 31st, 1929, in (a) salary and (b) expenses?

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

“The following amounts were paid by the Department of Education, namely: (a) \$20; (b) \$1.85.”

Mr. *Gray* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

How much had been expended from allotment (h), Vote 98, covering General Publicity, as at December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$27,821.18.”

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

1. What amount was voted for general publicity for the fiscal year commencing April 1st, 1928, and ending March 31st, 1929?

2. How much of this amount was actually expended?

3. How much of this expense was incurred during the period April 1st, 1928, to the end of August, 1928?

4. Was a Provincial general election held during the period April 1st, 1928, to the end of August, 1928? If so, when?

5. How much of this expense was incurred during the period September 1st, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?

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

“1. \$63,500.

“2. \$57,354.02.

“3. \$45,128.46.

“4. Yes; July 18th, 1928.

“5. \$12,225.56.”

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

1. What remuneration was paid to W. E. Fisher, Prince Rupert, as Commissioner to investigate charges in connection with John L. Barge?

2. What were said official's expenses?

3. What was total cost of Commission?

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

“1. \$400.

“2. \$166.30.

“3. \$796.65.”

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

1. Who was appointed as Government representative on the Lower Mainland Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Committee under section 6 of the “Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act”?

2. Does position carry a salary with it?

3. If so, what salary?

4. What was appointee's business before being appointed to said position?

5. What experience has he had to qualify him for the position?

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

“1. Charles Almeron Welsh, of New Westminster, was appointed a member of the Committee, and pursuant to section 8 of the Act holds office of Chairman, but does not represent the Government.

“2. No information.

“3. Answered by No. 2.

“4. Retail grocer.

“5. For over thirty years proprietor of extensive business, handling dairy products and other food commodities.”

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

1. Did the Vancouver Holdings Company, Limited, apply to purchase some 15 acres of land adjoining Lots 443 and 930 on the foreshore near the town of Stewart?
2. Did W. H. Stevens, of Vancouver, apply to purchase the same area of land?
3. If so, to whom was sale made, and what was the purchase price set by the Department?
4. Was said area held under reserve prior to the applications to purchase by the above parties being made?
5. Why was said area placed under reserve? On what date was reserve lifted, and why?
6. Did applicants state to what use they intended to put said 15 acres of land?
7. Is W. H. Stevens a relative of Hon. H. H. Stevens; and, if so, what relation?

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

- "1. No.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. W. H. Stevens; \$10 an acre.
- "4. Said area included in general reserve of locality.
- "5. (a) No information; (b) Gazette, November 8th, 1928; (c) whole reserve cancelled for purpose of facilitating development, in public interest.
- "6. Yes; for industrial purposes.
- "7. No information."

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

1. How many war veterans have been appointed to the Provincial Police Force since August 20th, 1928?
2. Of this number, how many were married men?

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

- "1. Twenty
 - "2. Twelve.
- "NOTE.—It is pointed out that applicants for the Force must be, by the regulations, over 21 and under 35 years of age. It is now over eleven years since the end of the war, consequently every year will see fewer returned soldiers eligible."

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

1. What was total number of employees, permanent and temporary, in the service of the Liquor Control Board on December 15th, 1928?
2. What was the total number of employees, permanent and temporary, in the service of the Liquor Control Board on December 15th, 1929?

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

- "1. On December 15th, 1928, permanent employees, 302; on December 15th, 1928, temporary employees, 143.
- "2. On December 15th, 1929, permanent employees, 327; on December 14th, 1929, temporary employees, 161.

"(Temporary employees are paid by the day, and as December 15th, 1929, was a Sunday, figures for December 14th, 1929, are submitted.)"

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

1. Were any Commissions appointed under the "Public Inquiries Act," under any resolution of the Legislature, or under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" since August 20th, 1928?
2. If so, for what purposes; who were the Commissioners; and what remuneration was paid to them?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. 'Public Inquiries Act.' Commission, Commissioner, and remuneration as follows:—
 "Immigration and Land Settlement; W. H. Gaddes; \$5,000 p.a.
 Saanich Relief (Secession); His Honour Judge P. S. Lampman; none.
 Grain Inquiry (Royal Commission of Saskatchewan, scope extended to cover British Columbia); Hon. J. T. Brown, J. A. Stoneman, and W. J. Rutherford; none.

- State Health Insurance (*see* pages 19, 21, 24, Journals of the House, 1929); C. F. Davie, W. F. Kennedy, L. E. Borden, M.D., C.M., G. S. Pearson, and J. J. Gillis, M.D., C.M.; none.
- Kelowna Police Inquiry (charges and counter-charges between employees of City and Provincial Police Forces); Lindley Crease, K.C.; expenses, etc., paid by City of Kelowna.
- J. L. Barge Inquiry (inquiry into conduct of J. L. Barge when Mining Recorder at Queen Charlotte City); W. E. Fisher; \$400.
- Fruit Marketing; W. S. Evans; \$50 a day for first 100 days, \$40 a day thereafter.
- To inquire into the living conditions of teachers in isolated districts; Miss Lottie M. Bowron; \$375.
- Stranding of Agassiz-Rosedale Ferry; D. S. Jones-Evans; none.
- Reorganization, etc., of Civil Service; Lieut.-Colonel R. R. Napier; \$300 p.m.
- Inquiry into state and management of the University Endowment Lands Administration; A. N. Daykin (also was Administrator); \$325 p.m.
- Inquiry into charges against Superintendent of Boys' Industrial School and general condition of Institution; Colonel E. Pepler, Departmental Solicitor; none."

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

1. How many war veterans have been dismissed from the staff of the Provincial Police since August 20th, 1928?
2. Of this number how many were married men with families?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:—

"1. Eleven, not including those transferred to Game Department; and of these, five were dropped from the Service consequent upon reorganization on formation of the Game Department, and six were dismissed for unsatisfactory conduct.

"2. Six."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 18th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Davie presented the Second, Third, and Fourth Reports of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 18th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned petitions:—

No. 1—Corporation of the City of Victoria.

No. 4—The Veterans' Sightseeing and Transportation Company, Limited.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 18th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time-limit for presenting petitions for Private Bills be extended to February 21st, 1930, to enable "The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver" to present a petition for a Private Bill to ratify and validate all acts and contracts of the said Society whilst operating under the name of "The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 18th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and the Standard Trusts Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

The reports were read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the reports adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Hayward*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria."

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to authorize and empower the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay to enter into an Agreement dated January 16th, 1930, with The Veterans' Sightseeing and Transportation Company, Limited."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*, Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act'" was committed.
Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Have any persons over 50 years of age been appointed permanently or temporarily to the Civil Service since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what are their names, ages, places of residence, and positions in the Service?

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

1. What road-making machinery, plant, and implements have been purchased since August 20th, 1928?

2. What was the total cost?

3. Was it all purchased on tender?

4. If not, what amount was purchased without tender, and from whom in each case?

5. Where was said plant and equipment built or manufactured?

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

7. Were such tenders opened in public?

8. If not, why not?

The Hon. Mr. *Lougheed* presented a corrected answer to the question asked by Mr. *Pearson* on February 14th, as follows:—

1. What yardage of each class of material was moved in continuing the construction of the Yellow Lake Road into Similkameen District last year?

"1. Approximately: Solid rock, 14,000 cubic yards; other material, 50,000 cubic yards; dry masonry, 1,500 cubic yards."

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

1. Who is Mechanical Superintendent for the Provincial Police?

2. When was he appointed, and at what salary?

3. What are his duties?

4. What previous experience had he as a mechanic to qualify him for the position?

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

"1. There is no Mechanical Superintendent. Sergeant H. H. Pegler is Departmental Mechanic.

"2. November 18th, 1928; \$2,098.75 per annum (B.C. Police Sergeant's salary).

"3. Inspection of stages in Province and supervision of police automotive equipment and patrol vessels and boats; 208 stages, 64 police cars, 19 motor-cycles, 3 trucks, and 8 patrol-vessels.

"4. Served apprenticeship as mechanic and was at Engineering College. Has had twenty years' practical experience with automotive equipment and motor-vessels, and held responsible positions with stage transportation; was overseas with mechanical transport and workshop units."

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

1. Were tenders called for the engine for the Nelson Ferry?

2. If so, who were tenderers?

3. Were tenders opened in public?

4. Is engine which was installed proving satisfactory?

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

"1. Prices obtained by Purchasing Agent in usual way.

"2. B.C. Equipment Co.; Canadian Fairbanks-Morse; Pumps & Power, Ltd.; A. R. Williams; Brown, Fraser & Co.; Tye Machinery Co.; Vivian Gas Engine Works; Ferrier & Lucas; Vancouver Machinery Depot; Hoffars, Ltd.

"3. See answer to No. 1.

"4. Engine is satisfactory when operating under a constant normal load."

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

1. How many motor-vehicles were purchased since February 1st, 1928, for use in the Alberni District by the Department?

2. From whom were these vehicles purchased?

3. What was the price paid for each?

4. Were tenders required before purchase was made in each case?

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

"1. Ten motor-vehicles purchased since February 1st, 1928, for use in the Alberni District by the Department.

"2. One Star coach, Lowe's Garage, Ladysmith; one Federal truck, Cameron Motor Co., Victoria; three Chevrolet trucks, Rushton's Garage, Parksville; two Ford trucks, Nanaimo Motors, Ltd., Nanaimo; one Chevrolet truck, General Auto Sales, Ltd., Nanaimo; one Chevrolet truck, West Coast Motors, Port Alberni; one Reo truck, Loggers & Contractors' Machinery Co., Victoria.

"3. One Star coach, A-18	\$1,400.00		
Allowance on A-18	\$600.00		
Less sales-tax	35.89		
		635.89	
			\$764.11
One Federal truck, S-94	\$3,650.00		
Less sales-tax	\$78.00		
Allowance on S-94	500.00		
		578.00	
			3,072.00
One Chevrolet truck, S-292	\$1,631.60		
Less sales-tax	\$25.31		
Allowance on S-66	50.00		
		75.31	
			1,556.29
One Chevrolet truck, S-293	\$1,631.60		
Less sales-tax	\$25.31		
Allowance on S-81	50.00		
		75.31	
			1,556.29
One Chevrolet truck, S-294	\$1,631.60		
Less sales-tax	\$25.31		
Allowance on S-80	50.00		
		75.31	
			1,556.29
One Ford truck, S-276			1,491.43
One Ford truck, S-277			1,491.43
One Chevrolet truck, S-41	\$1,211.40		
Less sales-tax	30.28		
			1,181.12
One Chevrolet truck, S-47	\$1,211.40		
Less sales-tax	30.28		
			1,181.12
One Reo truck, S-299E	\$2,250.00		
Less allowance on S-1	50.00		
			2,200.00

"4. Not customary."

Mr. *Pearson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What percentage for depreciation is being written off on road-building machinery and implements this year?

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

"Full depreciation is provided for, the percentage varying according to estimated useful life of each machine."

Mr. *MacPherson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What is estimated cost of highway through the Delta to connect Douglas and Fraser Avenue Bridge?

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

“Field reports not yet completed.”

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

1. Did the Government provide a house for the District Engineer at Prince Rupert?
2. If so, from whom was house purchased, and at what price?
3. What rental is paid to the Government by said District Engineer?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. George A. Clothier; \$5,488.

“3. Rental rate fixed at \$30 per month.”

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

1. Referring to Return submitted in reply to question 157, Orders of the Day No. 7, giving classification of highways, under what Act and under what section of said Act were certain roads in Saanich classified as primary highways?

2. What roads have been classified or reclassified since August 20th, 1928?

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

“1. ‘Highway Act,’ section 37.

“2. Return presented.”

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

1. Has an agreement been entered into with Pacific (Coyle) Navigation Company, Limited, for experiment in use of pulverized coal in one of their tug-boats? If so, when was this agreement entered into?

2. When did they commence this experiment?

3. Is the experiment completed?

4. If so, with what success?

5. If not completed, when will it be completed?

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

“1. No.

“2 to 5. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Has the Government purchased timber within the limits of Strathcona Park?

2. If so, what was the price per thousand board-feet paid for each species; what quantity of each species was purchased; and what was the total amount paid?

3. From whom was said timber purchased?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. No segregation of species; lump sum of \$335,000 paid.

“3. Dominion Bank.”

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

1. Has any agreement been entered into regarding the transference to the Civil Service of the Province members of the Federal Civil Service at present working within the Dominion Railway Belt and the Peace River Block?

2. If so, on what basis?

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

“1. No.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. How many claims, and of what total amount, were made against the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company: (a) For freight lost or damaged during the year 1927; (b) for goods shipped by express lost or damaged during the year 1927?

2. What amount was paid in settlement of such claims?

3. How many claims, and of what total amount, were made against the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company: (a) For freight lost or damaged during the year 1928; (b) for goods shipped by express lost or damaged during the year 1928?

4. What amount was paid in settlement of such claims?

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

"1. (a.) Thirty-two; \$2,387.03. (b.) Thirteen; \$71.26.

"2. Freight claims paid, \$2,324.90; express claims paid, \$55.71.

"3. (a.) Forty-one; \$535.19. (b.) Eleven; \$96.17.

"4. Freight claims paid, \$282.02; express claims paid, \$96.17."

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

1. How many claims, and of what total amount, were made against the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company: (a) For freight lost or damaged; (b) for goods shipped by express lost or damaged during the year 1929?

2. What amount has been paid in settlement of such claims?

3. What was the total amount of such claims outstanding at December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. (a.) Thirty-seven; \$546.52. (b.) Seventeen; \$142.84.

"2. \$299.38.

"3. Freight, \$78.29; express, *nil*."

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

1. Is one E. Adair employed on construction-work at Essondale?

2. If so, in what capacity?

3. What are his qualifications for the position?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Assistant Clerk of Works.

"3. Experienced on building construction and skilled carpenter."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.11 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Dick* presented a petition from the Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of validating and confirming a change of the name of "The Children's Aid Society of the Church of the Holy Rosary, Vancouver," and for other powers.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the report of the Select Committee on the revision of the Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding of the Legislative Assembly.

The Committee rose and reported progress.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 19th, 1930.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. *MacPherson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following question:—

How many are taking the Department's correspondence course in high-school subjects?

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

"Five hundred and thirty."

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

1. Was one J. P. Dougherty ever in the employ of the Government?

2. If so, in what capacity; when was he appointed; and where was he domiciled during the term of his service?

3. On what date were his services dispensed with?

4. What was his initial salary?

5. What was his salary on the date he left the employ of the Government?

6. What amount (if any) was paid to him as travelling expenses during each of the years he was in the Government employ?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Superintendent of Insurance; appointed July 1st, 1921; domiciled in Vancouver.

"3. As from October 31st, 1928.

"4. \$300 per month.

"5. \$320 per month.

"6. 1921-22, \$658.15; 1922-23, \$1,290.95; 1923-24, \$1,484.30; 1924-25, \$2,029.12; 1925-26, \$2,244.45; 1926-27, \$1,774.33; 1927-28, \$2,268.83; 1928-29, \$1,383.60."

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

1. How much money has been borrowed under "Loan Act," being chapter 36, Statutes of 1929?

2. How much money has been borrowed under "Loan Act," being chapter 37, Statutes of 1929?

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

"1. \$6,449,875.

"2. \$2,490,625."

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

1. Have any sums of money been paid for legal work in connection with intestate estates in the Registries of Prince Rupert and Smithers since November 23rd, 1916, to: (a) Williams, Manson & Gonzales; (b) Williams & Gonzales?

2. Have any such payments been made since 1921? If so, in what years and in what amounts?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. (a.) Williams, Manson & Gonzales—Smithers: 1921, \$788.96; 1922, \$662.69; 1923, \$1,015.96; 1924, \$553.16; 1925, \$269.04; 1927, \$274.37; 1928, \$537.15; 1929, \$256.82; 1930, \$53. Prince Rupert: 1921, \$332.61; 1922, \$128.05; 1923, \$27.30; 1924, \$146.70; 1925, \$172.25; 1926, \$101.95; 1927, \$55; 1928, \$76.46. (b.) Williams & Gonzales—Smithers: 1925, \$341.12; 1926, \$381.53; 1927, \$175; 1928, \$10. Prince Rupert: 1927, \$308.15; 1928, \$29.70.”

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

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

2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?

4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

“1. None.

“2. Answered by No. 1.

“3. None.

“4. Answered by No. 3.”

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

1. What is total amount of long-term Provincial bonds sold since August 20th, 1928?

2. Of bonds sold since August 20th, 1928, what was total amount for refunding, and what was total amount for new commitments?

3. What is total amount of Treasury bills disposed of since August 20th, 1928, other than Treasury bills under discount with the Canadian Bank of Commerce?

4. What amount was owing to the Canadian Bank of Commerce as at January 15th, 1930, by way of Treasury bills or overdraft?

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

“1. \$25,509,500.

“2. Refunding	\$17,000,000.00
Conversion and repayment of Treasury bills outstanding at August 20th, 1928	4,333,875.00
Repayment of Treasury bills sold since August 20th, 1928	3,360,000.00
New money	815,625.00

“3. \$6,000,000.

\$25,509,500.00

“4. Treasury bills, \$4,869,694; no overdraft. General Account had credit balance of \$508,749.44.”

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

1. How much money has been spent or commitments made on Capital Account since August 20th, 1928?

2. How much has been paid out on Capital Account from current revenue since August 20th, 1928?

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

“1. Expended on Capital Account (charged to loans) from August 31st, 1928, to December 31st, 1929, \$9,465,100.66.

“2. Expended on Capital Account (charged to income) from August 31st, 1928, to December 31st, 1929, \$3,500,854.98.”

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

1. What amounts were collected under income and personal-property tax during the months of March, 1929, and April, 1929, respectively?
2. What amounts were collected under income and personal-property tax during the months of March, 1928, and April, 1928, respectively?

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

- "1. March, 1929, \$96,509.81; April, 1929, \$125,419.50.
 "2. March, 1928, \$142,363.03; April, 1928, \$49,456.92."

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

1. What amounts were collected in succession duties during the months of March, 1929, and April, 1929, respectively?
2. What amounts were collected in succession duties during the months of March, 1928, and April, 1928, respectively?

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

- "1. March, 1929, \$79,859.29; April, 1929, \$17,007.17.
 "2. March, 1928, \$22,249.87; April, 1928, \$160,897.17."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

Did travelling expenses of Mr. T. D. Pattullo as Minister of Lands between April 1st, 1928, and August 20th, 1928, include a visit to Ottawa and other points in Eastern Canada?

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

"Yes."

Mr. *Wrinch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What was the amount outstanding in respect to personal-property and income tax at December 31st, 1929?

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

"Personal-property tax, \$113,278.96; income-tax, \$1,144,698.44; total, \$1,257,977.40.

"NOTE.—Question as to income-tax outstanding as at December 31st, 1929, already asked by Mr. *Pearson* and answered. (See Votes and Proceedings No. 9, February 7th, 1930.)"

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

1. Who is Purchasing Agent?
2. When was he appointed, and where has he been domiciled since his appointment?
3. What amount has he been paid as expenses since his appointment to date?

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

- "1. V. A. Rollins.
 "2. October 25th, 1928; Victoria.
 "3. \$334.70."

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

1. Was one B. A. McKelvie appointed to the Provincial Bureau of Information?
2. What is his salary, and when was he appointed?
3. What are his duties?
4. What publications has he issued since being appointed?
5. Has he written, edited, or collaborated in any news items for the daily, weekly, or monthly press, or a portion of the daily, weekly, or monthly press?
6. Has he prepared or assisted in the preparation of speeches or public statements made by any Minister of the Crown?

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

- "1. Yes.
 "2. Appointed July 15th, 1929; salary, \$3,500 per annum.
 "3. To direct compilation of statistical information relative to British Columbia; prepare and edit publicity matter; direct advertisement placements; check up on lineage, coverage, and

rates charged for advertising; to answer inquiries relative to British Columbia and its resources; to supervise compilation of land bulletins and answer inquiries relative to pre-emption locations and areas; and other such duties connected with general publicity, and the gathering and distribution of information for the good of the Province as may be assigned to him.

"4. Various land bulletins; British Columbia Manual, 1929; Game Book. Distributed since August 1st, 1929, up to January 31st, 1930, 53,760 pieces of literature.

"5. Yes.

"6. Has provided statistical information for Ministers when requested to do so."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.20 p.m.

Thursday, February 20th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The petition of the Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver, praying for leave to introduce a Private Bill, was received.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the report of the Select Committee on the revision of the Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding of the Legislative Assembly.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the adoption of the report and of the revision of the Rules complete with amendments, and that the said amended Rules become the Standing Orders of this House on the 1st day of May, 1930, and that the existing Rules, Orders, and Forms of Proceeding be repealed as from that date.

Resolution reported.

Report adopted.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Howe*—

Return pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 12th, relating to the suspension of D. B. Brankin, Superintendent of the Boys' Industrial School, Vancouver.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*—

Return pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 7th, relating to Liquor Control Board employees.

By the Hon. Mr. *Atkinson*—

Report of the Royal Commission investigating Fruit and Vegetable Production and Marketing.

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

1. What amounts have been borrowed by the Government since January 1st, 1929?
2. From whom has it been borrowed?
3. What rate of interest was, or is, being paid?

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

"1. *Refunding*—

On January 23rd, 1929, 40-year Debentures sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce; A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; Dominion Securities Corporation; and Dillon, Read & Co. at 4½ per cent. (to yield 4.92 per cent.).....	\$6,417,000.00
On April 25th, 1929, 25-year Debentures sold to Canadian Bank of Commerce; A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; and Dominion Securities Corporation at 5 per cent. (to yield 5.08 per cent.).....	4,056,000.00
On September 24th, 1929, Debentures (30-year) sold to A. E. Ames & Co.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; Dominion Securities Corporation; Dillon, Read & Co.; Royal Bank of Canada; and the Canadian Bank of Commerce at 5 per cent. (to yield 5.08 per cent.).....	3,036,500.00
Treasury Bills sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce at 5 per cent.....	2,012,394.00

\$15,521,894.00

Deduct therefrom—

Repayment of 2-year 4½-per-cent. Debentures, Series EW, EX, EY, and EZ, matured January 25th, 1929	\$6,000,000.00
Repayment of Treasury Bill RA 16, sold to temporarily refund 2-year 4½-per-cent. Debentures, Series ER, ES, and ET, matured January 15th, 1928	4,000,000.00
Repayment of 2-year 4-per-cent. Debenture issue, Series FF, matured September 25th, 1929	3,000,000.00
Repayment and renewal of Treasury Bills sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce at 4.75 per cent.	2,012,394.00

15,012,394.00

Carried forward..... \$509,500.00

Brought forward.....		\$509,500.00
"New Borrowings—		
On April 25th, 1929, 25-year Debentures sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce; A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; and Dominion Securities Corporation at 5 per cent. (to yield 5.08 per cent.).....	\$6,000,000.00	
On November 25th, 1929, 1- and 2-year Treasury Bills sold in New York to Dillon, Read & Co.; Dominion Securities Corporation; Wood, Gundy & Co.; A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; the Canadian Bank of Commerce; and the Royal Bank of Canada at 5½ per cent. (to yield 4.90 per cent.)	6,000,000.00	
Sale of Treasury Bills to the Canadian Bank of Commerce from January 1st, 1929, to January 1st, 1930	9,339,876.00	
	<hr/>	\$21,339,875.00
Deduct therefrom—		
Conversion of Treasury Bills effected from part of proceeds of debenture sale on April 25th, 1925 (\$5,818,875), and from part of proceeds of Treasury Bills sold in New York on November 25th, 1929 (\$4,714,375)	10,533,250.00	
	<hr/>	10,806,625.00
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Total borrowings effected from January 1st, 1929, to January 1st, 1930		\$11,316,125.00
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"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."

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

On what dates were the following timber-sales made: 4912; 9094; 11793; 4916; 5022; 4932; 11696; 11804; 11802; 11687; 11688; 11684; 11686; 8619?

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

"X4912, June 5th, 1929; X9094, July 10th, 1929; X11793, October 11th, 1929; X4916, X5022, X4932, X11696, X11804, X11802, X11687, X11688, X11684, X11686, and X8619, October 23rd, 1929."

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

1. How many settlers were brought into British Columbia in 1929 under arrangement with the Salvation Army?
2. How many settlers were brought in by the Provincial Government other than through the Salvation Army?

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

"1. 180.

"2. None specially; settlers generally locate on areas acquired in different ways under the Statutes governing the disposition of Crown lands and also on lands already privately owned."

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

1. Were Dr. H. W. Riggs and George A. Walkem, M.L.A., appointed to the Board of the Vancouver General Hospital?
2. If so, on what date?
3. On whose recommendation were appointments made?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Dr. Riggs's appointment dated from February 9th, 1930, and Mr. Walkem's from February 14th, 1930.

"3. That of Provincial Secretary."

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

1. How many pre-emption records were issued during the year 1929?
2. How many pre-emption records were cancelled or pre-emptions abandoned during the year 1929?

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

- " 1. 524.
- " 2. 429."

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

1. How many pre-emption records were issued during the years 1924 to 1928, inclusive?
2. How many pre-emption records were cancelled or pre-emptions abandoned during the years 1924 to 1928, inclusive?

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

- " 1. 1924, 664; 1925, 559; 1926, 477; 1927, 413; 1928, 451.
- " 2. 1924, 927; 1925, 983; 1926, 835; 1927, 542; 1928, 424."

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

1. What amounts of money have been borrowed by the present Government since August 20th, 1928?
2. What amount is owing to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for money borrowed on Treasury bills since August 20th, 1928, giving particulars of same?
3. When do these bills fall due?
4. Has any money been borrowed by the present Government from any other bank or from any other source on Treasury bills, with particulars of same?
5. What amount is still available for borrowing purposes under the various Loan Acts passed by the Legislature, giving particulars?

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

" 1. Net debt as at August 20th, 1928, direct obligations	\$82,887,338.60
Sales since that date to January 1st, 1930—	
Debentures	\$25,509,500.00
Treasury Bills sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce	13,827,269.00
1- and 2-year Treasury Bills sold in New York at 5½ per cent. (to yield 4.90 per cent.) on November 25th, 1929, to the Canadian Bank of Commerce <i>et al.</i>	6,000,000.00
	\$45,336,769.00
Less refundings and repayments	31,420,644.00
	\$13,916,125.00
Deduct—	
Debt redemption by way of serial instalment	\$210,000.00
Payment of instalment, B.C. House mortgage	9,700.00
Increase in self-supporting debt	156,421.07
Increase in Sinking Funds	3,342,670.09
	3,718,791.16
Net increase in debt during period August 20th, 1928, to January 1st, 1930	10,197,333.84
Net debt as at January 1st, 1930	\$93,084,672.44

" 2. ' Loan Act, 1921 '—Conservation		\$50,000.00
' Loan Act, 1927 '—P.G.E. Maintenance		33,000.00
' Loan Act, 1928 '—University Endowment		25,000.00
' Loan Act, 1929 '—		
Roads and Bridges	\$1,000,000.00	
Buildings	250,000.00	
		1,250,000.00
' Loan Act, 1929 '—Consolidated Revenue		500,000.00
' Revenue Act '—Temporary Refunding		1,882,500.00
		<u>\$3,740,500.00</u>
" 3. May 1st, 1930.		
" 4. See No. 1.		
" 5. Consolidated Revenue—		
' Loan Act, 1916 '	\$220.00	
' Loan Act, 1929 '	509,375.00	
		\$509,595.00
Industries—' Loan Act, 1919 '		1,000,000.00
B.C. University—		
' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$10,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	25,000.00	
		35,000.00
P.G.E. Railway Construction—		
' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$165.65	
' Loan Act, 1921 '	80.80	
' Loan Act, 1927 '	245,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	3,905,000.00	
		4,150,246.45
Buildings and Furnishings—		
' Loan Act, 1922 '	\$789.00	
' Loan Act, 1923 '	854.15	
' Loan Act, 1929 '	1,050,000.00	
		1,051,643.15
' Soldiers' Land Act '—' Loan Act, 1927 '		30,000.00
Land Settlement Board—' Loan Act, 1925 '		8,213.00
Highways and Bridges—' Loan Act, 1929 '		2,000,000.00
Conservation—		
' Loan Act, 1921 '	\$34,128.00	
' Loan Act, 1922 '	45,000.00	
		79,128.00
Dewdney Dyking Relief—' Loan Act, 1929 '		125.00
B.C. Electric Railway—' Loan Act, 1921 '		93,000.00
' Crown Property Development Act '—' Loan Act, 1925 '		55,000.00
		<u>\$9,011,950.60"</u>

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

1. Who is Medical Inspector of Schools for Nicola District?
2. On what date was he appointed?

The Hon. Mr. Howe replied as follows:—

" 1. G. H. Tutill, M.D., C.M.

" 2. Appointed October 8th, 1928, following resignation of J. J. Gillis, M.D., C.M., dated June 25th, 1928."

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

1. How was office furniture and equipment, used on the Pacific Great Eastern survey, transported from Prince George to Victoria?
2. What items were comprised in the shipment, and what was their total weight?
3. What was the total cost of transportation of same from Prince George to Victoria, giving cost to Vancouver and cost from Vancouver to Victoria?
4. By whom was transportation carried out?

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

- " 1. Railway freight, express and passenger baggage, and motor-trucks.
- " 2. Office equipment and personal effects of staff; 4,800 lb.
- " 3. \$275 round trip, Prince George to Victoria.
- " 4. Buchanan's transfer, Prince George."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Friday, February 21st, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Davie* presented the Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Reports of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 21st, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been complied with, inasmuch as the advertising has not been completed.

No. 6—The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver.

Your Committee recommends that the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the petitioner to proceed with the Bill without the necessity of further advertising and without posting as required by the Rules.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 21st, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has not been proved.

That the petitioners did not present any evidence that would enable your Committee to form any opinion as to the desirability of granting the prayer of the said petition.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Drugless Physicians."

Your Committee recommends that the Bill be not allowed to proceed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 21st, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time-limit be extended for introducing Private Bills till the 24th day of February, 1930.

That the time-limit be extended for receiving reports from the Private Bills Committee till the 12th day of March, 1930.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Collection Agents" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Solemnization of Marriage" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Dick*, Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to validate the Name and Acts of 'The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver'" was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

1. How many persons were employed on Government roads from Elko to International Boundary during the year 1929?

2. What were their names, and how much did each receive?

3. How many persons were employed on the Government road between Natal and Crowsnest during 1929?

4. What were their names, and how much did each receive?

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

1. Have any sums been paid to individuals, companies, or corporations under the "Mines Development Act"?

2. If so, to whom, and on what terms?

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

"Sums were authorized by the Department of Mines to be paid to the undermentioned individuals, companies, or corporations, pursuant to the terms of the 'Mines Development Act,' during the period from April 1st, 1929, to February 20th, 1930: D. A. Grant; Canadian Quick-silver Co.; Hugh A. McMillan; Compagnie Française des Mines d'or du Canada; Neil C. Mac-Nab; Colin Muir; J. W. Davis; D. W. Dobson; C. I. Burnside; Paradise Syndicate, Ltd.; Witwatersrand Syndicate, Ltd.; Thos. Russell; E. F. Miller; J. A. Stenroth; Reeves-McDonald Mines, Ltd.; Howard Mines, Ltd.; R. Morland; Sally Mines, Ltd.; Waterloo Consolidated Mines, Ltd.; Western Exploration Co.; Yankee Girl Consolidated Mines, Ltd.; Joe Gallo;

Andrew J. Murphy; Noble Five Mines, Ltd.; Will Haylmore; Douglas Pine Gold Mine; W. C. Slade; R. H. Hackney; J. Rivers; Morning Star Mines, Ltd.; W. A. Davis; Meadow Creek Mines (per A. C. Skaling); J. A. Rutherford; O. A. Riegle; Chas. J. Howlett; John Holm; Home Gold Mining Co., Ltd."

Mr. *Kergin* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following question:—

What amount has been spent on mining-trails and mining-roads during 1929, and in which electoral districts?

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

"Expenditures on mining-trails and mining-roads since March 31st, 1929, by electoral districts, as follows: Alberni, \$3,019.43; Atlin, \$12,552.13; Cariboo, \$8,757.18; Columbia, \$5,727.83; Comox, \$693.97; Cowichan-Newcastle, \$150; Cranbrook, \$831.60; Creston, \$20,711.36; Dewdney, \$846.26; Fernie, \$5,250; Fort George, \$1,500; Grand Forks-Greenwood, \$9,086.96; Kamloops, \$2,084.52; Kaslo-Slocan, \$40,385.65; Lillooet, \$1,334.24; Mackenzie, \$7,153.94; Nelson, \$100; Omineca, \$58,826.20; Revelstoke, \$18,567.36; Rossland-Trail, \$100; Similkameen, \$12,011.41; Skeena, \$15,100.46; Yale, \$5,681.60; total, \$230,472.10."

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

1. What was the total loss from forest fires for the year 1929?
2. How many patrolmen worked in each Forest District during 1929, and what was their rate of pay?

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

"1. \$1,168,657.

men (2 of which were replacements) at \$4 per day; Southern Interior Forest District, 38 patrolmen (1 of which was replacement), 37 at \$4 per day and 1 at \$95 per month; Fort George Forest

"2. Cariboo Forest District, 4 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Kamloops Forest District, 20 patrolmen, 12 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince Rupert Forest District, 8 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Vancouver Forest District, 24 patrolmen, 20 at \$4 per day and 4 at \$90 per month plus expenses."

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

1. What was the total loss from forest fires for the years 1925, 1926, 1927, and 1928?
2. How many patrolmen worked in each Forest District during the years 1925, 1926, 1927, and 1928, and what was their rate of pay?

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

"1. 1925, \$2,747,190; 1926, \$1,680,264; 1927, \$215,708; 1928, \$198,535.

"2. 1925: Cariboo Forest District, 8 patrolmen (1 replacement), 4 at \$90 per month and 4 at \$4 per day; Kamloops Forest District, 17 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Southern Interior Forest District, 48 patrolmen (2 replacements), 47 at \$4 per day and 1 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses; Prince George Forest District, 13 patrolmen, 8 at \$80 per month, 3 at \$90 per month, 1 at \$95 per month, and 1 at \$4 per day; Prince Rupert Forest District, 8 patrolmen, 2 at \$80 per month plus travelling expenses and 6 at \$4 per day; Vancouver Forest District, 28 patrolmen (4 replacements), 22 at \$4 per day, 5 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses, and 1 at \$3 per day plus travelling expenses.

"1926: Cariboo Forest District, 9 patrolmen (1 replacement), 7 at \$4 per day, 1 at \$90 per month, and 1 at \$95 per month; Kamloops Forest District, 18 patrolmen (2 replacements) at \$4 per day; Southern Interior Forest District, 48 patrolmen (1 replacement) at \$4 per day; Prince George Forest District, 11 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince Rupert Forest District, 11 patrolmen (1 replacement) at \$4 per day; Vancouver Forest District, 35 patrolmen (3 replacements), 28 at \$4 per day, 6 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses, and 1 at \$100 per month plus board.

"1927: Cariboo Forest District, 7 patrolmen, 6 at \$4 per day and 1 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses; Kamloops Forest District, 18 patrolmen (1 replacement) at \$4 per day; Southern Interior Forest District, 36 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince George Forest District, 15 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince Rupert Forest District, 8 patrolmen, 7 at \$4 per day and 1 at \$3 per day plus travelling expenses; Vancouver Forest District, 33 patrolmen, 29 at \$4 per day and 4 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses.

"1928: Cariboo Forest District, 4 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Kamloops Forest District, 19 patrolmen (1 replacement) at \$4 per day; Southern Interior Forest District, 38 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince George Forest District, 12 patrolmen at \$4 per day; Prince Rupert Forest District, 9 patrolmen (1 replacement), 8 at \$4 per day and 1 at \$3 per day plus travelling expenses; Vancouver Forest District, 31 patrolmen, 25 at \$4 per day, 5 at \$90 per month plus travelling expenses, and 1 at \$100 per month plus board."

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

1. Did the Department build a residence for the District Engineer at Williams Lake?
2. If so, what was the cost?
3. Were tenders called for?
4. If so, who were tenderers, and what were the amounts of said tenders?
5. Who was successful tenderer?
6. Were tenders opened in public?
7. If not, why not?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$7,396.45, including Clerk of Works' salary and advertising.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Mission Construction Co., Ltd., \$7,200; Wm. Orr and J. M. Trotter, \$7,250; E. H. Shockley, \$7,564; Moncrieff & Vistauet, Ltd., \$7,745; Robert Morton, \$8,533; Frederick Davies, \$9,000.
- "5. Mission Construction Co., Ltd.
- "6. Yes.
- "7. See answer to No. 6."

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

1. What was the amount of the contract for bridging the Alouette River, on Town Line Road, Maple Ridge Municipality?
2. Who was the successful tenderer?
3. Was this contract sublet? If so, to whom, and at what price?

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

- "1 to 3. No contract let."

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

1. Were tenders called for fencing Dewdney Trunk Road from Pitt River Bridge to Hunter Road?
2. Who were the successful tenderers?
3. Were these contracts sublet? If so, to whom, and at what price?
4. What amount has been spent for this work to date?

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

- "1. Fencing is included in the general contract let to the Fraser Construction Company.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. No information.
- "4. \$2,610."

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

1. Was one C. Cook, Road Foreman in Dewdney District, dismissed?
2. Is he a war veteran?
3. Who was appointed in his place?
4. Is he a war veteran?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Yes; forestry unit.
- "3. J. L. Lilley.
- "4. No."

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

1. Was a house purchased at Quesnel for the District Engineer or Assistant District Engineer?

2. If so, from whom was house purchased, and what was the purchase price?

3. What rental is collected for said house?

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

“1. No.

“2 and 3. See answer to No. 1.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.57 p.m.

Monday, February 24th, 1930.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *J. W. Ogden*.

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Sutherland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Attorney-General and any blender, distiller, rectifier, or shipper of whisky, gin, or rum in Canada, Scotland, England, and Ireland.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *A. M. Manson* on February 7th, as follows:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all Commissions appointed since August 20th, 1928, under any Act or Resolution of this Legislature, with copies of the Orders in Council creating the Commissions, the terms of the Commissions, the names of the Commissioners, payments made to the Commissioners, and the reports of the Commissioners.

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*,—

To add after the word “Legislature,” in the second line, the words “unless deemed detrimental to the public interests.”

Debate on the main motion resumed.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*, the debate on the amendment was adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. Who were on the staff in the Government Agent's office at Cranbrook at August 20th, 1928, and what was the monthly salary of each?

2. Who were on the staff in the Government Agent's office at Cranbrook at December 31st, 1929, and what was the monthly salary of each?

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

“1. August 20th, 1928: J. E. Kennedy, \$185; J. A. Stewart, \$188.33; P. H. McCurrach, \$185; P. J. Foot, \$131; Miss G. Higgins, \$112; Miss M. Kennedy, \$70; Miss D. Argue, \$70; W. G. Taylor, \$75; E. B. Offin, \$95.

“2. December 31st, 1929: N. A. Wallinger, \$200; J. E. Kennedy, \$185; R. I. M. Power, \$175; A. A. Robertson, \$175; P. J. Foot, \$131; Miss G. Higgins, \$112; Miss M. Kennedy, \$70; W. G. Taylor, \$90; Miss K. Edmondson, \$65; Miss F. Finlay (temporary), \$65; E. B. Offin, \$95.”

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

1. What property was purchased by the Government during the year 1928 in the City of Vancouver?
2. Out of which vote, or under what authority, was purchase made?
3. What was paid for said property, and to whom?
4. Through whom was said property purchased?
5. Who was owner of the said property previous to purchase of same by the Government?
6. Who investigated title to this property?
7. Was more than one valuation made in 1928 of this property? If so, by whom, and at what date or dates? With particulars.
8. Were any commissions paid for the purchase of the property? If so, to whom, and what amount of same?
9. To what purpose has the property been used since date of purchase? And what revenues were derived from same?

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

"1. Lots 26, 27, 28, and 29, Block 50, D.L. 541, and known as 761, 763, and 771 Hornby Street.

"2. 'B.C. Loan Act, 1928,' section 6 (b).

"3. \$120,000; Griffith & Lee, Limited, Vancouver, B.C.

"4. Griffith & Lee, Limited.

"5. Lot 26, Edgar Stanley Lee and Douglas Clarence Lee (joint tenants); Lot 27 and South Half of Lot 28, Isabella Eadie; Lot 29 and North Half of Lot 28, Edgar Stanley Lee and Douglas Clarence Lee (joint tenants); subject to caveat by Willard Kitchen and W. J. Blake Wilson.

"6. Arthur G. Smith, Registrar of Land Registry Office, Vancouver, B.C.

"7. Yes; two, by A. M. Pound of Pound & Allan, of Vancouver. Letter from Deputy Minister of Finance to A. M. Pound, Esq., Vancouver, B.C., confirming a conversation as to getting a valuation and to send in his charges for same, May 18th, 1928. Letter from A. M. Pound with particulars of valuation, and placing same at \$100,000, May 18th, 1928. Letter from A. M. Pound to Deputy Minister of Finance, increasing his valuation to \$120,000 and confirming his wire of even date, May 23rd, 1928. Voucher drawn in favour of A. M. Pound, 510 Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C., for \$75 for making valuation and report on lots on Hornby Street, May 18th, 1928.

"8. No.

"9. Rented, \$1,857.75; net revenue to December 31st, 1929."

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

1. How many Road Foremen are engaged by the Department in the Alberni District?
2. How many of these have been appointed since August 20th, 1928?
3. What are the names of those so appointed and the salary paid to each?
4. How many of the newly appointed Road Foremen are returned soldiers?
5. Were applications from returned soldiers requested?
6. What are the qualifications for each of the newly appointed foremen?

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

"1. Thirteen Road Foremen.

"2. Seven.

"3. (a.) W. D. Gordon, Wellington; J. Roberts, Nanoose; S. H. Jennings, Coombs (returned soldier); T. M. Patterson, Alberni; W. J. McDonald, Bamfield (late foreman resigned); J. Moore, Tofino (returned soldier); K. Hansen, Holberg (late foreman resigned). (b.) \$4.75 per day.

"4. Two. (None of the foremen whose services were dispensed with or resigned were returned soldiers.)

"5. Yes; from Tofino.

"6. W. D. Gordon, Wellington (married), considerable experience during the last thirty years on construction-work and handling men; J. Roberts, Nanoose (married), worked on roads and in the woods all his life; S. H. Jennings, Coombs (married; returned soldier), rough bridge-carpenter and good knowledge of construction; T. M. Patterson, Alberni (married), eight years'

experience on road-work in this district and has driven and handled every piece of road machinery owned by the Public Works Department in this district; W. J. McDonald, Bamfield (late foreman resigned), many years' experience on public works in his district; J. Moore, Tofino (married; returned soldier), considerable experience in handling men; K. Hansen, Holberg (married; late foreman resigned), present foreman had experience as Road Foreman in the same part of district."

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

1. How many road-grading machines have been purchased since August 20th, 1928?
2. What sizes were bought; where were machines built; what was the price paid in each case; and from whom were they purchased?
3. Where are said graders located, and where were they used during the year 1929?

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

"1 to 3. See Return presented to the House on February 18th."

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

1. What Loan Acts had unexpended balances at August 20th, 1928, and what was the amount of the unexpended balance in each case?
2. What Loan Acts had unexpended balances at December 31st, 1929, and what was the amount of the unexpended balance in each case?

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

- "1. Borrowing-powers as at August 20th, 1928:—

Consolidated Revenue—

' Loan Act, 1916 '	\$220.00	
' Loan Act, 1921 (Second Session) '	450,000.00	
		\$450,220.00

Industries—' Loan Act, 1919 '

1,000,000.00

B.C. University—

' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$10,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1927 '	25,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	300,000.00	
		335,000.00

P.G.E. Railway Construction—

' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$165.65	
' Loan Act, 1921 '	170,080.80	
' Loan Act, 1927 '	455,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	4,000,000.00	
		4,625,246.45

Buildings and Furnishings—

' Loan Act, 1922 '	\$789.00	
' Loan Act, 1923 '	\$54.15	
' Loan Act, 1927 '	380,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	100,000.00	
		481,643.15

' Soldiers' Land Act '—' Loan Act, 1927 '

70,000.00

Land Settlement Board—' Loan Act, 1925 '

8,213.00

Highways and Bridges—' Loan Act, 1928 '

2,400,000.00

Conservation—

' Loan Act, 1921 '	\$84,128.00	
' Loan Act, 1922 '	45,000.00	
		129,128.00

British Columbia Electric Railway—' Loan Act, 1921 '

93,000.00

' Crown Property Development Act '—' Loan Act, 1925 '

75,000.00

\$9,667,450.60

" 2. Borrowing-powers as at January 1st, 1930:—

Consolidated Revenue—		
' Loan Act, 1916 '	\$220.00	
' Loan Act, 1929 '	509,375.00	
		\$509,595.00
Industries—' Loan Act, 1919 '		1,000,000.00
B.C. University—		
' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$10,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	25,000.00	
		35,000.00
P.G.E. Railway Construction—		
' Loan Act, 1920 '	\$165.65	
' Loan Act, 1921 '	80.80	
' Loan Act, 1927 '	245,000.00	
' Loan Act, 1928 '	3,905,000.00	
		4,150,246.45
Buildings and Furnishings—		
' Loan Act, 1922 '	\$789.00	
' Loan Act, 1923 '	854.15	
' Loan Act, 1929 '	1,050,000.00	
		1,051,643.15
' Soldiers' Land Act '—' Loan Act, 1927 '		30,000.00
Land Settlement Board—' Loan Act, 1925 '		8,213.00
Highways and Bridges—' Loan Act, 1929 '		2,000,000.00
Conservation—		
' Loan Act, 1921 '	\$34,128.00	
' Loan Act, 1922 '	45,000.00	
		79,128.00
Dewdney Dyking Relief—' Loan Act, 1929 '		125.00
British Columbia Electric Railway—' Loan Act, 1921 '		93,000.00
' Crown Property Development Act '—' Loan Act, 1925 '		55,000.00
		\$9,011,950.60"

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

1. Did the Government appoint a Commissioner to inquire into the operations of the Liquor Board?

2. If so, who was appointed?

3. What remuneration did he receive?

4. What was the total cost of the inquiry?

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

" 1. Investigations of the operations of the ' Government Liquor Act ' have been conducted for some time. It is not deemed advisable in the public interest to give any further information on the subject.

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

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

1. Who is Deputy Assessor at Cranbrook?

2. What salary is he paid?

3. What are his qualifications for the position?

4. On what date did he start work?

5. When did his salary start?

6. What was his domicile when appointed to Cranbrook?

7. Is he a returned soldier?

8. Was there no one in Cranbrook qualified to fill the position?

9. What did it cost the Government to send him to Cranbrook?

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

- " 1. R. I. M. Power.
- " 2. \$2,100 per annum.
- " 3. General experience and good education.
- " 4. July 1st, 1929.
- " 5. *See* No. 4.
- " 6. Victoria.
- " 7. No.
- " 8. No information.
- " 9. \$81.65."

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

- 1. Who is Chief Janitor at Vancouver Court-house?
- 2. When was he appointed, and at what salary?
- 3. Did he serve overseas?
- 4. On whose recommendation was he appointed?
- 5. Was his record checked up carefully by the Department before the appointment was made?
- 6. If so, why was the appointment made?
- 7. Who was his predecessor, and why was he retired?

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

- " 1. David Kirkwood.
- " 2. June 15th, 1929, at \$135 per month.
- " 3. Yes. Enlisted at Vancouver, July, 1915, Admiralty Engineer; left Canada for England, July, 1915; returned from England to Canada, April, 1919. South African veteran.
- " 4. In the usual way by the Minister of the Department.
- " 5. Answered by No. 4.
- " 6. Answered by No. 4 (work very satisfactory).
- " 7. J. H. Small; recommended for superannuation."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.12 p.m.

Tuesday, February 25th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Burden* presented the Report of the Commission of Inquiry under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" relating to the University Endowment Lands.

To lie upon the table.

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

REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 25th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

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

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

Your Committee recommends that the fees paid by the petitioner be refunded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. *Lister* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 24th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

That the proposed Grasshopper Bill was brought before this Committee and has been discussed.

After fully considering the Bill and all the evidence, this Committee is of the opinion that this Bill would be of material assistance to the areas affected within the Province and recommends the same for the consideration of this House.

FRED LISTER, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Collection Agents" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Private Detectives" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 24th, the Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented a Return of all correspondence between the Attorney-General and any blender, distiller, rectifier, or shipper of whisky, gin, or rum in Canada, Scotland, England, and Ireland.

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

1. On what date did W. J. Cox start work as Investigator of Tranquille Sanatorium?
2. What amount has he been paid since appointment to date?
3. What was the amount of his expenses since appointment to date?

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

"1, 2, and 3. No information in the Attorney-General's Department."

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

1. Who is the present Police Magistrate for the City of Courtenay?
2. Does the present Police Magistrate live within the limits of the City of Courtenay?
3. Who was his predecessor in office?
4. Why and when was the change made?

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

- "1. G. Robert Bates.
- "2. No information.
- "3. W. A. W. Hames.
- "4. In the public interest; September 16th, 1929."

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

1. Has a lease been entered into covering the Liquor Vendor's premises at 634 Humboldt Street, Victoria?
2. If so, what are terms of said lease?
3. What is floor-space of said premises?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Five years from January 1st, 1930, at a rental of \$250 per month.
- "3. 5,903 square feet."

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

1. Has a Government Liquor Store been opened at Creston?
2. Who is Vendor?
3. What salary is paid Vendor?
4. What rent is paid for premises so occupied?
5. Was petition favouring opening store received by the Liquor Control Board?
6. Who forwarded such petition?
7. How many signatures did it bear?
8. Was petition against opening store received?
9. Who forwarded said petition?
10. How many names did petition against opening said store bear?
11. If store has been opened, on whose recommendation was opening undertaken?
12. What was the total amount of liquor-sales at Creston from July 1st, 1929, to December 31st, 1929?
13. What were the cash receipts at Creston Liquor Vendor's Store on December 23rd, 1929, and December 24th, 1929?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Harvey W. McLaren.
- "3. \$150 per month.
- "4. \$35 per month.
- "5. Yes.
- "6. Frank H. Jackson.
- "7. 109.
- "8. Yes.
- "9. Rev. R. E. Cribb.
- "10. 107.
- "11. Residents of Creston.
- "12. \$35,106.90.
- "13. December 23rd, 1929, \$633.85; December 24th, 1929, \$1,066.25."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

Wednesday, February 26th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and the Standard Trusts Company" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities" was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 26th, 1930.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Who is Registrar of Voters for Creston Electoral District?
2. When was he appointed?
3. What remuneration does he receive?
4. Is he a returned soldier?
5. What allowance is made to said Registrar for office-rent?

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

"1. F. H. Jackson.

"2. November 1st, 1928.

"3. Five cents per annum for each name on the list of voters for Creston Electoral District.

"4. No information.

"5. \$10 per mensem."

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

What sum or sums of money have been paid for legal fees or services since November 23rd, 1916, to: (a) Williams & Manson; (b) Williams, Manson & Gonzales; (c) Williams & Gonzales?

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

"(a.) Nil. (b.) Nil. (c.) 1924-25, \$35; 1926-27, \$639.50; 1927-28, \$629.53; 1927-28, \$2,385.93; 1928-29, \$1,229.10; 1928-29, \$750; total, \$5,669.06.

"NOTE.—These amounts do not include the sum of \$6,590.05, being fees paid for legal work to the above-mentioned firms in connection with intestate estates, details of which appear in answers to questions of Mr. Hayward, Votes and Proceedings, February 19th, 1930."

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

1. Did Helen Gregory MacGill, M.A., Mus.Bac., publish a book in 1928 entitled "Laws for Women and Children in British Columbia"?

2. Did the Department of Agriculture distribute any copies of the said book to Women's Institutes prior to July 18th, 1928?

3. If yes, who was Minister of Agriculture prior to July 18th, 1928, when such distribution was made?

4. Were instructions issued to send out such books to Women's Institutes in lieu of Rules of Procedure as compiled by Mrs. Parsons, of Ottawa?

5. What amount of money did the Government spend on the purchase of copies so distributed?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. No; but in 1919 Mrs. MacGill was author of a book entitled 'How to Conduct Public Meetings in Canada and Where to Find the Rules,' which was published by the T. Allen Company, of Toronto. In 1922 one copy of this book was sent to each institute to replace Mrs. Parsons's book on procedure.

"5. No amount was spent for the book entitled 'Laws for Women and Children in British Columbia'; but in 1922 copies of the book entitled 'How to Conduct Public Meetings in Canada, etc.,' were purchased from the publishers direct."

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

1. Were the offices of the Civil Service Commissioner transferred to Belmont House, in the City of Victoria?

2. If so, when, and for what reason? Give particulars.

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

"1. Yes.

"2. January, 1929. Acute housing condition throughout the buildings. Department of Public Works in both Engineering and Architectural Branches so confined that work on hand could not be carried out efficiently. Architectural Branch had nine draughtsmen and two stenographers for several months on Essondale work, involving about \$1,500,000 expenditure, in addition to all the other work in the office, as schools, public buildings, maintenance and repairs, etc. Engineering Draughting has eight draughtsmen and one stenographer on work involving approximately \$2,000,000 expenditure annually, exclusive of Field Engineers, who require office-space, generally two Field Engineers being in at one time. In addition to the above, in both branches there was not sufficient room for filing purposes. Draughting takes up a large floor area on account of the size of drawings, and good light is essential, which could not be obtained under the then existing conditions. House Committee recommended October 25th, 1928, that immediate steps be taken to provide additional accommodation outside the Parliament Buildings."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.49 p.m.

Thursday, February 27th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Davie* presented the Ninth and Tenth Reports of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 27th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

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

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.'"

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

REPORT No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 27th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has not been proved and that the Bill be not allowed to proceed.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to authorize and empower the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay to enter into an Agreement dated January 16th, 1930, with The Veterans' Sight-seeing and Transportation Company, Limited."

Your Committee is impressed by the representations made on behalf of the Oak Bay Municipality as to the necessity for adequate transportation facilities.

Your Committee, however, is convinced that this can be accomplished without the granting of an exclusive franchise, especially in view of the motor-bus facilities now being profitably carried on by the petitioner, and also by the guarantee given by the president of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited, that he is prepared:—

- (1.) To sit in conference immediately with the authorities concerned and decide upon the best transportation system that can be adopted:
- (2.) In any case, if the present facilities are terminated, to operate buses to connect the unserved territory with the present street-car system:
- (3.) To forthwith abandon and not renew the proceedings to attack and render invalid the present by-law of the Municipality of Oak Bay dealing with the licence under which the petitioners now operate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

On the motion of Mr. *Davie*, the Sixth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

Mr. *Hayward* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 27th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

We have held many meetings to consider proposed amendments to the "Municipal Act," "Village Municipalities Act," and the "Local Improvement Act."

We have received many delegations representing most of the municipalities in the Province; various matters pertaining to the welfare of the residents of British Columbia.

We have agreed so far on certain proposed amendments to the "Village Municipalities Act," which are being referred to the Attorney-General for his approval and action.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. HAYWARD, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

Mr. *Lister* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 27th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

That we have heard various interests, also the Committee of Control, regarding the amendments to the "Produce Marketing Act."

After full consideration your Committee recommends the amendments for the consideration of this House.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRED LISTER, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of Grasshoppers," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 27th, 1930.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of Grasshoppers," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The reports on the following Bills were adopted, and the Bills *Ordered* to be read a third time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act.'"

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prescription Act.'"

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sheriffs Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Eggs Marks Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act.'"

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Collection Agents."

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Private Detectives."

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

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

1. How many temporary Game Wardens were appointed during the year 1929?
2. When was each appointed; at what rate of pay; and where were they located?
3. How long did each work?
4. What were the expenses of each?

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

"1. Seventeen.

"2, 3, and 4. Name, where located, date of appointment, days employed, rate of pay, and expenses, as follows:—

Monteith, F. F., Hudson Hope; January 11th; 141; \$3.50; none.

Jules, H., Kamloops; March 13th; 9; \$3.50; \$6.

Jules, E., Kamloops; March 21st; 1; \$3.50; \$2.

Tennis, L., Kamloops; April 4th; 8; \$3.50; none.

Dayton, M., Dome Creek; April 19th; 14; \$4; none.

Harwood, G. M., Vancouver; June 27th; 5; \$3.50; \$10.95.

Standing, E., Kelowna; October 14th; 48; \$3.50; \$28.40.

Davis, Ed., Kamloops; July 11th; 4; \$3.50; none.

David, John, Alert Bay; August 3rd; 4; \$3.50; none.

Case, D. M., Kamloops; September 9th; 3; \$3.50; none.

Villeneuve, B., Fort Nelson; August 1st; 163; \$2; none.

Green, F. J. A., Quatsino; September 21st; 35; \$4; \$90.

Aikman, G. W., Millstream; September 13th; 110; \$3.50; \$77.15.

Hunter, T., Vancouver; November 2nd; 3; \$3.50; none.

Burton, I. S., Vancouver; October 15th; 6; \$3.50; \$13.75.

Daly, M. V., Brookmere; December 4th; 2; \$3.50; none.

Miller, C. F., Vancouver; October 14th; 16; \$3.50; none.

"NOTE.—B. Villeneuve, Fort Nelson, employed as temporary help when required by Game Warden J. S. Clark, Fort Nelson."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.07 p.m.

Friday, February 28th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe* presented the Report of Miss Lottie Bowron as Commissioner under the "Departmental Inquiries Act," for the months of January, February, and March, 1929.

To lie upon the table.

On the motion of Mr. *MacPherson*, the notice of motion standing in his name for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was withdrawn and *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the motion of Mr. *Gray*, Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of New Westminster" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Solemnization of Marriage" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion for second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act.'"

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prescription Act.'"

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sheriffs Act.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Eggs Marks Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act.'"

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Private Detectives."

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Collection Agents" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Is one George Michell Road Superintendent in the Islands Electoral District?
2. If so, when was he appointed, and at what rate of pay?
3. What previous experience has he had to qualify him for the position?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. September 24th, 1928; \$185 per month.

"3. Six years' general contracting (including roads) experience, together with practical detailed knowledge of road machinery."

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

1. Was any work done on Summit Lake Road, Fort George District, during the year 1929?
2. If so, on what basis was work done?
3. What was unit cost?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Day-labour.

"3. The costs of the units of work as follows: (a) General repairs and maintenance, \$2,631.50; (b) widening, gravelling, and general betterments, \$5,458.50."

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

1. Did the Government pay for the making of any magic-lantern slides on behalf of the ex-Attorney-General, A. M. Manson?

2. If so, when?

3. What was the amount paid?

4. To what department of the Government service was this charged?

5. What amount (if any) was vouched for and paid to A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, during the fiscal year 1928-29, for travelling expenses?

6. Covering what period?

7. Do vouchers (if any) show where the said A. M. Manson went and on what business he was engaged? If so, where, and on what business, and covering what dates?

8. Did the said A. M. Manson vouch for and receive a daily sustenance allowance? If so, how much per day, and what was the total paid therefor?

9. What was the amount (if any) paid for expenses?

10. Did said A. M. Manson use a Government car on any of said trips?

11. If yes, for how many days?

12. Did he make any charge and receive pay for gasoline therefor? If so, how much?

13. Did the said A. M. Manson drive himself or use a chauffeur in the employ of the Government? If yes, in connection with what trips, and for how many days?

14. What salary was said chauffeur paid (if any)?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. August and November, 1927; May, 1928.

"3. \$195.85.

"4. Bureau of Informaion.

"5. \$356.55.

"6. April 23rd to August 14th, 1928.

"7. Yes, as follows, but business is not disclosed: April 23rd, Victoria-Port Alberni and return by car; April 27th, Victoria-Nanaimo and return by car; May 2nd, Victoria-Courtenay and return by automobile; May 12th, Victoria-Powell River via Comox (presumably by car); May 29th and 30th, Victoria-Saltspring Island and return by car and boat; May 31st and June 1st, Victoria-Campbell River and return by car; June 10th, Victoria-Bellingham; June 22nd, Van-

couver-Nanaimo; June 24th to 28th, Victoria-Vancouver; July 19th to 21st, Vanderhoof, Prince George, Quesnel, 150-Mile House, Clinton, Lillooet, Hope, and Vancouver; August 12th to 14th, Victoria-Vancouver.

" 8. Yes; \$10 per day; total \$295.

" 9. \$61.55.

" 10. Yes. April 23rd and 24th, Alberni; May 12th and 13th, Comox, Powell River, and Nanaimo; May 31st and June 1st, Campbell River; June 9th to 22nd, via Bellingham to Oliver, Princeton, Merritt, Quesnel, Prince George, Endako, Burns Lake, Vanderhoof, Fort George, and return; July 12th to 18th, Nanaimo, Chilliwack, Lytton, Clinton, 100-Mile House, Quesnel, Prince George, and Vanderhoof.

" 11. As disclosed by vouchers at least twenty-seven days.

" 12. April 27th, \$2.75; May 2nd, \$3.90; May 12th, \$5; July 19th to 21st, \$18.75.

" 13. Answered by No. 10, said car being driven by Government employee.

" 14. \$4.55 per day."

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

1. What amount has been expended in alterations to and furnishings for the office of the Minister of Finance since August 20th, 1928?

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

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

4. What amount has been expended in furnishings for the office of the Minister of Public Works since August 20th, 1928?

5. What amount has been expended in altering and furnishing an office for the Minister of Education since August 20th, 1928?

6. What amount has been expended in furnishing and altering an office for the Minister of Mines since August 20th, 1928?

7. What amount has been expended in alterations to and furnishings for the office of the Prime Minister since August 20th, 1928?

8. What amount has been expended in furnishings for the office of the Minister of Lands since August 20th, 1928?

9. What amount has been expended in furnishings for the office of the Attorney-General since August 20th, 1928?

10. What amount has been expended in furnishings for the office of the Provincial Secretary since August 20th, 1928?

11. What amount has been expended in furnishings for the office of the Minister of Agriculture since August 20th, 1928?

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

" 1. \$2,317.58. (New rug in Minister's office paid for by his personal cheque.)

" 2. \$1,160.52.

" 3. \$659.20.

" 4. \$780.50.

" 5. \$989.68.

" 6. \$179.14.

" 7. \$1,213.50.

" 8. \$427.20.

" 9. \$613.20.

" 10. \$1,090.85.

" 11. \$268.66."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.