

JOURNALS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA
SESSION 1929

Tuesday, January 22nd, 1929.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the first meeting of the Seventeenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable ROBERT RANDOLPH BRUCE, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 5th day of December, 1928, the members having been sworn took their seats.

HIS HONOUR ROBERT RANDOLPH BRUCE, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

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

Members of the Legislative Assembly:

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

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. the Premier, member for Saanich Electoral District, moved, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, member for Dewdney Electoral District, that *James William Jones*, Esquire, member for South Okanagan Electoral District, do take the Speaker's chair, and preside over the meeting of this Assembly, and it was so *Resolved*.

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

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

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

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

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their

debates, access to Your Honour's person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable interpretation.

The Honourable Mr. *Howe* then said:—

MR. SPEAKER:

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

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

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

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In welcoming you to the First Session of the Seventeenth Parliament of British Columbia, it is with pleasure that I note the improvement in the condition of His Majesty the King. Throughout his serious illness his loyal subjects in this Province have followed with deep anxiety the reports upon His Majesty's condition, and we are all rejoiced to learn of his steady progress toward recovery. This trying period has served to bring out in a most striking manner the affection with which His Majesty is regarded by his subjects, and our prayer is that he may yet be spared to us for many years.

Since the Legislature last met, the Province has suffered a severe loss in the death of the former Lieutenant-Governor, the Honourable W. C. Nichol. He was a generous and public-spirited citizen, who represented the Crown with honour and distinction, and his passing is sincerely mourned.

Within the past year the Province has received visits from the Foreign Secretary in His Majesty's Imperial Government, the Under-Secretary for the Dominions, the Leader of the British Labour Party, and the British Empire Parliamentary Association. These visits are very gratifying and should do much to create a better understanding between the different parts of the Empire.

It is with pleasure that I observe that business conditions in the Province are showing rapid improvement. There are indications that the aggregate output of our basic industries in the present year will surpass all previous records. The bank clearings and building statistics of our leading centres also reflect the general prosperity.

In harmony with the general advancement of the Province, the City of Vancouver and the Municipalities of South Vancouver and Point Grey have been amalgamated into a Greater Vancouver, which takes a proud place among the leading cities of the Dominion.

My Government, represented by the Premier and the Minister of Public Works, in conference with the Dominion Government, has succeeded in making further progress towards the restoration to the Province of the Railway Belt lands and the Peace River Block. Further conferences are to be held with a view to the completion of the transfer.

The future of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway is receiving the earnest attention of my Government. Information as to the resources of the railway-grant lands is being collected and a thorough survey of the location and assets of the railway is being made.

My Government is seriously considering the question of land settlement, and, for the purpose of expediting the settlement of reclaimed and Government-owned lands, has appointed a Commissioner of Immigration and Colonization, whose duty it will be to inaugurate plans for the disposal of these lands to suitable settlers in the best interest of the Province. In accordance with a plan so inaugurated, a portion of the reclaimed lands at Sumas has already been placed on the market by the Dyking Commissioner on terms that should encourage settlement and increase our agricultural production. Irrigation problems will be given careful consideration.

Recognizing that the success of agriculture largely depends upon the profitable marketing of the products of the land, my Government contemplates the immediate organization of a Marketing Branch in connection with the Department of Agriculture. Its purpose will be to

co-operate wherever possible with existing agencies for the better marketing of farm products with a view to perfecting as nearly as possible the facilities for trade in these commodities. For this purpose you will be asked to vote an appropriation.

An audit of the accounts of the Province is being made by a reputable firm of auditors for the purpose of clarifying our financial position, and their interim report will be placed before you.

In view of the growing importance of public utilities, the question of the advisability of providing some measure of stricter control is receiving the consideration of my Government.

Provision will be made to meet the Province's immediate needs in connection with highway facilities in such manner as to encourage the greater development of our natural resources, agricultural production, industrial undertakings, and tourist travel with a view to interesting capital and settlers of the best type.

Arrangements are now being entered into between Canada and the United States for a conference concerning the conservation of the salmon, and it is earnestly hoped that lasting benefits to the industry will result therefrom.

My Government is diligently carrying out a thorough survey of the provisions of the "Taxation Act" to the end that the incidence of taxation may be modified.

You will be asked to consider legislation intended:—

(a.) To extend exemptions under the "Succession Duties Act":

(b.) To give assistance to the establishment of the iron and steel industry in this Province:

(c.) To amend the "Male Minimum Wage Act," the "Game Act," the "Companies Act," the "Mineral Survey and Development Act," and the "Public Schools Act."

The reports of the various departments of my Government will be laid before you.

The Public Accounts and the Estimates for the coming year will be submitted to you.

I leave you in the hope that the First Session of this new Parliament will, under the blessing of Providence, result in the enactment of such measures as will prove of benefit to all our people.

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

Prayers by the Rt. Rev. *Charles de V. Schofield*, Bishop of Columbia.

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

The Certificates of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of members to represent the respective electoral districts of the Province in the Legislative Assembly at the general election and subsequent by-elections were read and *Ordered* to be placed on the Journals of the House, as follows:—

"PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

"VICTORIA, January 11th, 1929.

"Whereas His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, by Proclamation dated the seventh day of June, 1928, was pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the Province:

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

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

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

ALBERNI.....	Laurence Arnold Hanna.
ATLIN.....	Herbert Frederick Kergin.
BURNABY.....	William Robert Rutledge.
CARIBOO.....	Roderick Mackenzie.
CHILLIWACK.....	William Atkinson.
COLUMBIA.....	John Andrew Buckham.
COMOX.....	George Kerr MacNaughton.

COWICHAN-NEWCASTLE.....	Cyril Francis Davie.
CRANBROOK.....	Frank Mitchell MacPherson.
CRESTON.....	Fred Lister.
DELTA.....	John Walter Berry.
DEWDNEY.....	Nelson Seymour Lougheed.
ESQUIMALT.....	Robert Henry Pooley.
FERNIE.....	Thomas Uphill.
FORT GEORGE.....	Frederick Parker Burden.
GRAND FORKS-GREENWOOD.....	Charles Morgan Kingston.
THE ISLANDS.....	Cyrus Wesley Peck.
KAMLOOPS.....	John Ralph Michell.
KASLO-SLOCAN.....	James Fitzsimmons.
LILLOOET.....	Ernest Crawford Carson.
MACKENZIE.....	Michael Manson.
NANAIMO.....	George Sharratt Pearson.
NELSON.....	Lorris E. Borden.
NEW WESTMINSTER.....	Arthur Wellesley Gray.
NORTH OKANAGAN.....	William Farris Kennedy.
NORTH VANCOUVER.....	Ian Alistair Mackenzie.
OMINECA.....	Alexander Malcolm Manson.
PRINCE RUPERT.....	Thomas Dufferin Pattullo.
REVELSTOKE.....	William Henry Sutherland.
RICHMOND-POINT GREY.....	Samuel Lyness Howe.
ROSSLAND-TRAIL.....	James Hargrave Schofield.
SAANICH.....	Simon Fraser Tolmie.
SALMON ARM.....	Rolf Wallgren Bruhn.
SIMILKAMEEN.....	William Alexander McKenzie.
SKEENA.....	Horace Cooper Wrinch.
SOUTH OKANAGAN.....	James William Jones.
SOUTH VANCOUVER.....	Jonathan Webster Cornett.
	William Curtis Shelly.
	Nelson Spencer.
VANCOUVER CITY.....	Royal Lethington Maitland.
	William Dick.
	Thomas Henry Kirk.
	George Alexander Walkem.
	Reginald Hayward.
VICTORIA CITY.....	Joshua Hinchliffe.
	James Harry Beatty.
	Harold Despard Twigg.
YALE.....	John Joseph Gillis.

" P. WALKER,

" *Deputy Provincial Secretary.*

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

" PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

" VICTORIA, January 11th, 1929.

" Whereas vacancies occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the acceptance of office of the members thereof for the Chilliwack, Dewdney, Esquimalt, Fort George, Richmond-Point Grey, Saanich, Similkameen, Vancouver City, and Victoria City Electoral Districts; and

" Whereas it was necessary to hold elections to fill the vacancies caused thereby, and for such purpose writs dated the tenth day of September, 1928, were duly issued :

" Now, I do hereby certify that from the returns received, it appears that the electors have chosen the undermentioned as representatives in the Legislative Assembly of the Districts aforesaid, namely :—

CHILLIWACK.....	The Hon. William Atkinson.
DEWDNEY.....	The Hon. Nelson Seymour Lougheed.

ESQUIMALT.....	The Hon. Robert Henry Pooley.
FORT GEORGE.....	The Hon. Frederick Parker Burden.
RICHMOND-POINT GREY.....	The Hon. Samuel Lyness Howe.
SAANICH.....	The Hon. Simon Fraser Tolmie.
SIMILKAMEEN.....	The Hon. William Alexander McKenzie.
VANCOUVER CITY.....	The Hon. William Curtis Shelly.
VICTORIA CITY.....	The Hon. Joshua Hinchliffe.

" P. WALKER,

" *Deputy Provincial Secretary.*

" *To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Howe*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, it was *Resolved*,—

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

Annual Report of Vital Statistics for the Year 1927.

Annual Report of the Provincial Museum of Natural History for the Year 1927.

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

Annual Report of the Civil Service Commissioner for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the " Superannuation Act " for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

By the Hon. the Attorney-General—

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board for the Period April 1st, 1927, to March 31st, 1928.

Balance-sheet of the Liquor Control Board as at September 30th, 1928.

Annual Report of the Provincial Game Warden for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Annual Report of the Inspector of Municipalities for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Annual Report of the Mothers' Pensions Board on the Administration of the "Mothers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended September 30th, 1928.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial School for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Annual Report of the Official Guardian for the Year ended October 31st, 1928.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Annual Report of the Oakalla Prison Farm for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

By the Hon. the Minister of Lands—

Return of Timber Licences reinstated by Order in Council under Section 42 of the "Forest Act."

Bulletin, "Forests and Forestry in B.C.," as placed before the British Empire Forestry Conference in Australia in 1928.

Return *re* Alienation of Reversionary Interest of Crown in Indian Reserves under Section 92 (2), Chapter 131 of Revised Statutes of 1924.

Return of Lands exchanged under Chapter 14 of Statutes of British Columbia, 1926-27, being "Townsite Crown Lands Exchange Act."

By the Hon. the Minister of Finance—

Public Accounts for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

Return of Moneys received and paid out by the Official Administrator of the Province under Section 53 of the "Administration Act," "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1924."

By the Hon. the Minister of Education—

Annual Report of the Public Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1928.

By the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture—

Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year 1927.

Annual Report of the Land Settlement Board for the Year 1927.

Report of the Milk Inquiry Commission appointed under authority of the "Public Inquiries Act."

By the Hon. the Minister of Public Works—

Annual Report of the Hon. the Minister of Public Works for the Year ended March 31st, 1928.

By the Hon. the Minister of Mines—

Annual Report of the Hon. the Minister of Mines for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

Preliminary Review and Summary of Mining Operations for the Year ended December 31st, 1928.

By the Hon. the Minister of Labour—

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

Wednesday, January 23rd, 1929.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson.

Mr. *Spencer* presented a petition from George Henry Barnard, George Henry Halse, Gordon Farrell, and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Provincial Telephone Company.

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

Mr. *Kennedy* (North Okanagan) moved, seconded by Dr. *MacNaughton* (Comox),—

That the following humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Shelly*, it was *Resolved*,—

That *Harold Despard Twigg*, fourth member for the Victoria City Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this Legislative Assembly.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Constitution Act,’ ” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
January 23rd, 1929.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 3) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Constitution Act,’ ” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Game Act,’ ” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
January 23rd, 1929.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify and relieve Captain James Fitzsimmons respecting his Election as a Member of the Legislative Assembly," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
January 23rd, 1929.

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. 4) intituled "An Act to indemnify and relieve Captain James Fitzsimmons respecting his Election as a Member of the Legislative Assembly," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
January 23rd, 1929.

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. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ferries Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.38 p.m.

Thursday, January 24th, 1929.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Walkem* presented a petition from the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. *Spencer* presented a petition from the Royal Plate Glass Insurance Company of Canada, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to increase its capital, and for other purposes.

Mr. *Davie* presented a petition from the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of increasing its power, and for other purposes.

Mr. *Rutledge* presented a petition from the Corporation of the District of Burnaby, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Burnaby Municipality Act, 1923," and for other purposes.

The petition from George Henry Barnard and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Provincial Telephone Company, was received.

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

Mr. *Pattullo* moved, seconded by Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*,—

That the motion moved by the honourable member for North Okanagan, seconded by the honourable member for Comox, in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on Wednesday, January 23rd, be amended by adding the following words: "This House strongly disapproves of administrative policy and action in connection with recent sale of Provincial securities, in that sale was made privately, improvidently, and contrary to sound public policy."

The debate continued.

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

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture shall consist of fifteen members, as follows: Messrs. *Berry, Kennedy, Lister, Kingston, Michell, Peck, MacNaughton, Carson, R. Mackenzie, Wrinch, A. M. Manson, Gillis, Gray, MacPherson, and Hanna.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Bruhn*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters shall consist of thirteen members, as follows: Messrs. *Hayward, Kennedy, Cornett, Kirk, Peck, Kingston, Dick, Berry, Gray, Gillis, Hanna, MacPherson, and Sutherland.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills shall consist of eleven members, as follows: Messrs. *Twigg, Davie, Beatty, Dick, Spencer, Kingston, M. Manson, I. A. Mackenzie, Kergin, MacPherson, and A. M. Manson.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Lands, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Forestry shall consist of eight members, as follows: Messrs. *MacNaughton, M. Manson, Spencer, Lister, Fitzsimmons, Pattullo, Buckham, and Hanna.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Railways shall consist of eight members, as follows: Messrs. *Spencer, Carson, Cornett, Fitzsimmons, Schofield, A. M. Manson, I. A. Mackenzie, and Kergin.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Printing shall consist of seven members, as follows: Messrs. *Peck, R. Mackenzie, Michell, Twigg, Hanna, Buckham, and Uphill.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Finance, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts shall consist of thirteen members, as follows: Messrs. *Walkem, Kirk, Beatty, Rutledge, Fitzsimmons, M. Manson, Twigg, Hayward, Sutherland, A. M. Manson, I. A. Mackenzie, Buckham, and Pearson.*

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Mines, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Mining shall consist of ten members, as follows: Messrs. *Borden, Schofield, Lister, Carson, Fitzsimmons, Kingston, Kergin, Wrinch, Pearson, and Uphill.*

The Hon. Mr. *McKenzie* presented a Return pursuant to section 10, chapter 165, "Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1924," "Iron-ore Supply Act."

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

1. How many men were serving on the British Columbia Provincial Police on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are serving on the Provincial Police at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Provincial Police since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations from the Provincial Police since August 20th, 1928?

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

"1. 236.

"2. 130.

"3. 254.

"4. 138.

"5. Thirteen.

"6. Four.

"NOTE.—The percentage of returned soldier recruits tends to and will continue to fall off by reason of an age-limit fixed by regulation."

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

1. How many were employed by the Lands Department on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Lands Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed in the Lands Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Lands Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

- " 1. 369 (not including seasonal employees).
- " 2. 153.
- " 3. 362.
- " 4. 153.
- " 5. One.
- " 6. One."

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 5.18 p.m.

Friday, January 25th, 1929.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Kirk* presented a petition from the Chartered Commercial Company, of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of changing its corporate name.

Mr. *Kingston* presented a petition from the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting & Power Company, Limited, respecting the petition of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, Limited, for a Private Bill, and suggesting certain changes in said Bill.

The following petitions were received:—

From the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purposes therein mentioned.

From the Royal Plate Glass Insurance Company of Canada, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to increase its capital, and for other purposes.

From the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of increasing its power, and for other purposes.

From the Corporation of the District of Burnaby, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Burnaby Municipality Act, 1923," and for other purposes.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and on the amendment thereto moved by Mr. *Pattullo* on January 24th, as follows:—

To add the following words: "This House strongly disapproves of administrative policy and action in connection with recent sale of Provincial securities, in that sale was made privately, improvidently, and contrary to sound public policy."

The debate continued.

Mr. A. M. *Manson* moved the adjournment of the debate to the next sitting of the House.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—8.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>
<i>MacPherson</i>	<i>Kergin</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Buckham</i>

NAYS—29.

Messieurs

<i>Mackenzie, R.</i>	<i>Beatty</i>	<i>Shelly</i>	<i>Kennedy</i>
<i>Rutledge</i>	<i>Walkem</i>	<i>Pooley</i>	<i>Davie</i>
<i>Fitzsimmons</i>	<i>Peck</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Michell</i>	<i>Burden</i>
<i>Cornett</i>	<i>Twigg</i>	<i>MacNaughton</i>	<i>Atkinson</i>
<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Maitland</i>	<i>Manson, M.</i>	<i>Lougheed</i>
<i>Kirk</i>	<i>Hove</i>	<i>Schofield</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>
<i>Lister</i>			

PAIRS :

Messieurs

<i>Tolmie</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>
<i>Borden</i>	<i>Pearson</i>
<i>Dick</i>	<i>Gray</i>
<i>Spencer</i>	<i>Hanna</i>
<i>Berry</i>	<i>Gillis</i>

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

Resolved in the negative on the following division :—

YEAS—8.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>
<i>MacPherson</i>	<i>Kergin</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Buckham</i>

NAYS—29.

Messieurs

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<i>Spencer</i>	<i>Hanna</i>
<i>Berry</i>	<i>Gillis</i>

Debate resumed on the main motion.

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Atkinson*—Bill (No. 10) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Agricultural Act.' "

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Atkinson*—Bill (No. 11) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act.' "

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Poolcy*—Bill (No. 8) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Conditional Sales Act.' "

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Poolcy*—Bill (No. 9) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Moving Pictures Act.' "

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

January 25th, 1929.

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. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
January 25th, 1929.

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. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Lands Administration Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

1. How many were employed by the British Columbia Liquor Control Board on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of them were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Liquor Control Board at the present time?
4. How many of them are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Liquor Control Board since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations by the Liquor Control Board since August 20th, 1928?

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

- "1. Male, 282; female, 15; total, 297.
- "2. 117.
- "3. Male, 286; female, 15; total, 301.
- "4. 118.
- "5. Six.
- "6. Dismissed or discharged, 1; asked for their resignations by the Liquor Control Board, *nil.*"

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

1. Were the services of David Warnock as Deputy Minister of Agriculture dispensed with; and, if so, for what reason?
2. What notice was given to said Warnock?
3. What remuneration (if any) was given to said Warnock in lieu of notice?

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

“1. Yes. For deliberately refusing or neglecting to carry out the instructions of the Minister.

“2. The usual notice given in such circumstances.

“3. The matter under consideration and held in abeyance pending receipt of proper detailed expense account in the premises.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Monday, January 28th, 1929.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *James Strachan*.

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

This House regrets that the Hon. the Minister of Finance, in dealing with the question of sale of Provincial securities during the course of his speech on Friday afternoon, January 25th, submitted to this House incomplete and erroneous information which was misrepresentative of the real facts.

Mr. *Davie* rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker stated that the motion was out of order, inasmuch as it disclosed no question of privilege so as to dispense with the usual notice, and he so ruled.

Mr. *Davie* presented a petition from John Samuel Henry Matson for leave to introduce a Private Bill to confirm By-law No. 408 of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, and for other purposes.

The petition from the Chartered Commercial Company, of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of changing its corporate name, was received.

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

On the motion of Mr. *R. Mackenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. How many were employed by the Department of Agriculture on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Agricultural Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Agricultural Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Agricultural Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

“1. Male, 68; female, 21; total, 89.

“2. Twenty-three.

“3. Male, 67; female, 21; total, 88.

“4. Twenty-three.

“5. *Nil*.

“6. *Nil*.”

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

1. How many were employed by the Department of Finance on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Finance Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed in the Finance Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Finance Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

- "1. 377.
- "2. 106.
- "3. 380.
- "4. 108.
- "5. Three.
- "6. One resigned."

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

1. How many were employed in the Department of Mines on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Mines Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed in the Mines Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Mines Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

- "1. Thirty-four.
- "2. Eight.
- "3. Thirty-four.
- "4. Eight.
- "5. None.
- "6. None."

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

1. How many licensed beer-parlours were in operation in the City of Vancouver on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many are licensed to carry on business at the present time?
3. Have any licences been issued since August 20th, 1928, in the City of Vancouver?
4. If so, in whose name were such licences applied for, and for what premises?

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

- "1. Sixty-three.
- "2. Sixty-three.
- "3. Yes. Sixty-three for the year 1929. All licences expire on the 31st day of December of the year of issue. These were renewals.
- "4. Name of licensee and name of hotel as follows: L. M. Gold, Lotus Hotel; E. Burgoyne, Hotel Savoy; Castle Hotel, Ltd., Castle Hotel; St. Helens Hotel Co., Ltd., St. Helens Hotel; Jas. Davies, American Hotel; W. K. Clark, Niagara Hotel; Burrard Hotel Co., Ltd., Burrard Hotel; Clara M. Shaw, Manitoba Hotel; Martinique, Ltd., Martinique Hotel; Robt. Willis, Imperial Hotel; Strand Hotel, Ltd., Strand Hotel; Vintners, Ltd., Balmoral Hotel; J. McCranor, Dufferin Hotel; Commercial Hotel, Ltd., Commercial Hotel; Plaza Hotel Co., Ltd., Royal Hotel; Astoria Hotels, Ltd., Astoria Hotel; T. H. Whelan, Regent Hotel; Belmont Hotel Co., Ltd., Belmont Hotel; Travellers Hotel, Ltd., Travellers Hotel; Georgia Hotel Co., Ltd., Georgia Hotel; New Fountain Hotel, Ltd., New Fountain Hotel; James Thompson, Hotel Ivanhoe; Western Hotels Ltd., Pennsylvania Hotel; Gordon Hotel Co., Ltd., Invermay Hotel; Cecil Hotel, Ltd., Hotel Cecil; Grand Union Hotel, Ltd., Grand Union Hotel; Columbia Hotel

Co., Ltd., Columbia Hotel; Rose E. Lowe, Empire Hotel; Haddon Hotel Co., Ltd., Haddon Hotel; Helen Wright, Broadway Hotel; Hotel Canada, Ltd., Hotel Canada; Ernest Clark, Grand Hotel; R. Wishart and W. Stirling, Central Hotel; West Hotel, Ltd., West Hotel; A. J. McKenzie and P. T. Hartney, Kingston Hotel; E. M. Gilbert, Hotel Empress; Rainier Hotel, Ltd., Rainier Hotel; Pender Hotel, Ltd., Pender Hotel; Malcolm Morrison, Cordova Hotel; Carlton Hotel Co., Ltd., Carlton Hotel; J. Carrelli, Klondyke Hotel; J. Churchill, Metropole Hotel; W. S. Gardiner, Yale Hotel; A. Decker and C. Johnson, City Hotel; E. P. Mulhern, Patricia Hotel; Clarence Hotel Co., Ltd., Clarence Hotel; Grandview Hotel, Ltd., Grandview Hotel; H. S. Newey, Mount View Hotel; John and Geo. Jackson, London Hotel; A. W. Young and G. Gough, Main Hotel; J. W. McFarland, Hudson Hotel; J. Tha and P. Giovando, Stratford Hotel; Angelus Holding Co., Ltd., Angelus Hotel; J. E. Green, Princeton Hotel; St. Regis Hotel Co., Ltd., St. Regis Hotel; Cobalt Hotel Co., Ltd., Cobalt Hotel; Crown Hotel, Ltd., Crown Hotel; Thos. Stevenson, Winters Hotel; Dominion Hotel, Ltd., Dominion Hotel; Stanley Hotel, Ltd., Stanley Hotel; Granville Land & Loan Co., Ltd., Austin Hotel; Europe Hotel, Ltd., Europe Hotel; Melbourne Hotel, Ltd., Melbourne Hotel."

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

1. How many were employed by the Department of Education on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Education Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed in the Education Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Education Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

- "1. 101 (60 males and 41 females).
- "2. Fourteen.
- "3. 100 (59 males and 41 females).
- "4. Fifteen.
- "5. One.
- "6. None."

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

1. How many licences to hunt big game by non-resident persons were issued: (a) In the year 1926; (b) in the year 1927; (c) in the year 1928?
2. How much was received in fees from big-game hunters for game shot by them: (a) In the year 1926; (b) in the year 1927; (c) in the year 1928?

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

- "1. (a) 395; (b) 369; (c) 383.
- "2. (a) \$7,880; (b) \$6,730; (c) \$9,350."

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 4.56 p.m.

Tuesday, January 29th, 1929.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Berry* presented a petition from the Corporation of Delta, for leave to introduce a Private Bill respecting the Delta water rights, and for other purposes.

The petition from John Samuel Henry Matson, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to confirm By-law No. 408 of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, and for other purposes, was received.

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

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

January 29th, 1929.

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 to the undermentioned petitions:—

No. 1—Petition of G. H. Barnard, George H. Halse, Gordon Farrell, L. G. McPhillips, and J. D. Hamilton.

No. 3—The Royal Plate Glass Insurance Company of Canada.

No. 4—West Kootenay Power & Light Company, Limited.

No. 6—The Chartered Commercial Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. D. TWIGG, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

On the motion of Mr. *Spencer*—Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate 'Provincial Telephone Company.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Spencer*—Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Royal Plate Glass Insurance Company of Canada Act, 1906.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Davie*—Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1897.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Kirk*—Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Chartered Commercial Company of Vancouver Act, 1899.'"

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1927-28 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Howe*, Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. *A. M. Manson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Buckham*,—

Whereas important and substantial amendments to the "Provincial Elections Act" were passed at the last session of this Legislature:

And whereas since that time a general Provincial election has been held:

And whereas it is desirable to inquire as to the working of the said "Provincial Elections Act" as amended:

Be it therefore Resolved, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed forthwith to inquire fully into the operation of the provisions of the said Act as amended.

And be it further Resolved, That the said Committee be empowered to send for persons, papers, and records, to examine the same and to take evidence under oath, and to report their findings and recommendations to this House.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Hanna</i>	<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>
<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Gray</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Buckham</i>
<i>MacPherson</i>	<i>Kergin</i>		

NAYS—32.

Messieurs

<i>Mackenzie, R.</i>	<i>Kirk</i>	<i>Maitland</i>	<i>Schofield</i>
<i>Rutledge</i>	<i>Lister</i>	<i>Howe</i>	<i>Kennedy</i>
<i>Fitzsimmons</i>	<i>Beatty</i>	<i>Shelly</i>	<i>Davie</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Spencer</i>	<i>Pooley</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>
<i>Cornett</i>	<i>Walkem</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>	<i>Burden</i>
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<i>Berry</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Dick</i>	<i>Lougheed</i>
<i>Borden</i>	<i>Twigg</i>	<i>Manson, M.</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Tolmie</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>
<i>MacNaughton</i>	<i>Gillis</i>

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Walkem*, the following motion was withdrawn:—

Whereas the tidal lands within the City of Vancouver known as the False Creek area form a valuable asset as a site for industrial plants, and all manufacturing and shipping interests are deeply concerned with the economic problem involved in the appropriate development of such area:

And whereas the Provincial Government controls a large portion of the foreshore upon the northern side of False Creek and is reported to be making plans for its development and use:

And whereas the Town Planning Commission of the City of Vancouver, under the guidance of experienced consulting engineers, has prepared plans for the ultimate development of such False Creek area upon the principle of leaving a navigable channel in an appropriate location with a necessary turning-basin, which channel and basin will be bordered by conveniently arranged wharfage facilities which would be reached by railway-tracks and roadways serving all the remainder of the area, which the plans propose should be filled in:

And whereas the type of industry which would furnish the highest economic use for such area is one which requires shipping facilities by both rail and water, but is not of such a heavy nature as to monopolize too large an area in comparison with its industrial output; but at the present time there are large sawmills in operation on False Creek, and consequently the execution of the plans for the ultimate development may have to await their removal, or the removal of some of them, so that the project may proceed progressively:

And whereas it is desirable that all developments that take place henceforth should coincide with the most beneficial plan for the ultimate development of False Creek, and it would be contrary to public interest that any new vested rights should be created which would hamper the ultimate development of the area:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House would welcome an announcement from the Government that no long-term leases will be granted on False Creek or other vested rights created in private individuals until a Commission has been appointed to investigate the proposed

plans for the improvement of False Creek, and has reported thereon; and that the Government will proceed, upon receipt of such report, to either concur in or obtain the modification (as may be called for by the report) of the aforesaid plans for the development of the area, and will frame its policy on the basis of what will be found to best serve the whole economic situation.

Mr. *Wrinch* moved, seconded by Mr. *Pearson*,—

Whereas by Resolution under date of March 14th, 1928, it was resolved by the then Legislative Assembly, "That a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, consisting of five members, be appointed, whose duties shall be: (1) To inquire into the workings of any systems of health insurance and of maternity benefits wherever such systems can be found in effective operation; (2) to report its findings to the Legislature":

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly reaffirms the terms of the Resolution hereinbefore recited.

And be it further Resolved, That a Committee of this Legislative Assembly be appointed, whose duties shall be: (1) To inquire into the workings of any systems of health insurance and of maternity benefits wherever such systems can be found in effective operation; (2) to report its findings to the Legislature.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Working of Quarries," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

January 28th, 1929.

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. 13) intituled "An Act to regulate the Working of Quarries," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Mineral Survey and Development," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

January 28th, 1929.

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. 12) intituled "An Act respecting Mineral Survey and Development," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Bounties on Iron and Steel," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
January 28th, 1929.

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. 15) intituled "An Act respecting Bounties on Iron and Steel," 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. *A. M. Manson* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. What will be the addition to the staff of the Public Service if the amendment to the "Game Act" as introduced at this Session is passed and assented to?
2. What will be the additional cost to the Public Treasury?
3. What salary will be paid to the proposed Game Commissioner?
4. What salary will be paid to the proposed Game Inspectors?

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

- "1. Such as may be necessary.
- "2. *See* Estimates to be brought down at a later date.
- "3. Under consideration.
- "4. Under consideration."

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

1. Was appointment of Henry Hector MacKenzie, of Nelson, as Gaol Surgeon rescinded; and, if so, for what reason?
2. What notice (if any) was given to said MacKenzie?
3. Was any remuneration given to said MacKenzie in lieu of notice; and, if so, how much?
4. Was William O. Rose, of Nelson, appointed in place of said MacKenzie; and, if so, at what salary?
5. Was said William O. Rose formerly a Conservative member in the Provincial Legislature?

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

- "1. Yes; activity in politics.
- "2. No notice necessary.
- "3. No.
- "4. Yes; \$450 per annum.
- "5. *See* Journals of the House."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many were employed by the Provincial Secretary's Department on August 20th, 1928?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Provincial Secretary's Department at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed in the Provincial Secretary's Department since August 20th, 1928?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Provincial Secretary's Department since August 20th, 1928?

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

- "1. 434.
- "2. 130.
- "3. 431.
- "4. 132.
- "5. Two.
- "6. None."

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

1. Does the Department of Public Works contemplate building a road from Alberni to the west coast of Vancouver Island at or near Tofino?
2. Has the survey of this road been authorized by the Department?
3. If so, when will survey be started?
4. Will construction of this road be started this year?

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

- "1. Under consideration.
- "2. Survey made in 1912; Sproat Lake-Long Beach.
- "3. Answered by No. 2.
- "4. Answered by No. 1."

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 5.15 p.m.

Wednesday, January 30th, 1929.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The petition from the Corporation of Delta, for leave to introduce a Private Bill respecting the Delta water rights, and for other purposes, was received.

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

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Wrinch* on January 29th respecting the appointment of a Committee to inquire into health insurance and maternity benefits.

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Counties Definition Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Wrinch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Wrinch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Wrinch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Lands Administration Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
January 30th, 1929.

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. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

1. Was the appointment of William Grant as Deputy Mining Recorder at Hazelton cancelled?

2. Was G. A. Wyman, Provincial Constable stationed at Hazelton, appointed as Deputy Mining Recorder in place of said Grant?

3. Was appointment of said Wyman as Deputy Mining Recorder cancelled?

4. Was W. Saunders, of South Hazelton, appointed as Deputy Mining Recorder in place of said Wyman?

5. Was said Saunders Sergeant-at-Arms under McBride Government?

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

"1. The appointment of William Grant as Sub-Mining Recorder was cancelled on the recommendation of the Mining Recorder.

"2. G. A. Wyman, Provincial Constable, who held the position of Sub-Mining Recorder prior to said Grant's appointment, was reappointed Sub-Mining Recorder.

"3. Said Wyman being transferred to the Victoria Detachment, his successor, Corporal C. G. Barber, was appointed Sub-Mining Recorder.

"4. Corporal Barber also being transferred, W. J. Saunders was appointed to succeed him as Sub-Mining Recorder.

"5. No information."

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

1. Has the Government of this Province at any time entered into an agreement with The Pacific (Coyle) Navigation Company, Limited, to carry out an experiment with one of their tugs to prove the efficiency and economy of pulverized coal as a fuel in craft of the size of a tug-boat?

2. If so, has this experiment been concluded, and what was the result?

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

“1. Agreement entered into between the Department of Industries and the Pacific (Coyle) Navigation Company, Limited.

“2. Experiment not yet concluded.”

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 4.51 p.m.

Thursday, January 31st, 1929.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Constitution Act.’”

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to indemnify and relieve Captain James Fitzsimmons respecting his Election as a Member of the Legislative Assembly” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *A. M. Manson*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Schools Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the name of *Kirk* (the honourable fifth member for Vancouver City) be added as a member of the Select Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

1. Has Dr. T. Judson McPhee been dismissed from the position of Medical School Inspector and District Health Officer for the District of Nanaimo?

2. If so, why?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. In the public interest.”

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 5.38 p.m.