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Wednesday, 1st February, 1911.

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Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Baugh Allen*.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to His Majesty, and that the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

Resolution reported and adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Honourable the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House will, on Wednesday next, 8th of February, resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act respecting the Payment of Wages" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act, 1909,'" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting Strathcona Park" was again committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented a copy of the Regulations of the Provincial Board of Health, approved by Order of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council dated the 31st day of January, 1911. Regulations for the prevention of the spread of small-pox to and in British Columbia.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts" a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

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Thursday, 2nd February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Baugh Allen*.

Mr. *Tisdall* presented the following report :—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 2nd, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 52) intituled “ An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company.”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *McGuire*, seconded by Mr. *Mackay*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas it would appear that the cost of coal to the consumer in the Province of British Columbia is out of all proportion to the cost of production ; and

Whereas, owing to the abundance of the coal-deposits in this Province, and the proximity of the sources of supply to the market, the cost of coal to the consumer in British Columbia should be much less than at present is the case ; and

Whereas the excessive price of coal in British Columbia has the effect of retarding and preventing the establishment in this Province of industries depending upon a fuel supply ; and

Whereas much of the product of the coal-mines of the Province is being exported to foreign markets and sold at a price that enables it to compete with coal from other countries in such foreign markets ; and

Whereas a belief exists that there is an understanding between the persons or corporations controlling or owning such coal-mines to maintain the high prices now being charged to consumers in this Province :

Therefore, be it Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by this House, praying him to consider the advisability of appointing a Royal Commission to inquire into the following questions :—

1. Whether or not a combine or understanding exists among the coal producers, or any of them, of this Province to establish and maintain prices charged for coal ?

2. Whether or not coal is being sold by producers, or any of them, for consumption outside British Columbia for a less price than that sold for consumption in the Province ?

3. Whether or not the prices charged by the producers, or any of them, for coal consumed in British Columbia is excessive ?

4. Whether or not the prices charged by the producers, or any of them, of coal in British Columbia bears a reasonable proportion to the cost of production ?

Bill (No. 5) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Public Service Act, 1909, ’ ” was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled “ An Act respecting Strathcona Park ” was read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled “ An Act respecting Railways ” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*2nd February, 1911.*

*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. 21) intituled "An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Report adopted.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

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Friday, 3rd February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *T. W. Gladstone.*

Mr. *Tisdall* presented the following report:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
3rd February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company."

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

Mr. *Mackay* presented the following report :—

REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

3rd February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petition have been complied with :—

Petition No. 4.—The Naas and Peace River Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. F. MACKAY,

*Chairman.*

The report was received.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* moved, seconded by Mr. *Williams*,—

Whereas Japan recently demanded consideration as a civilised nation ; and

Whereas the working class of that nation has shown in various ways their right to consideration from that standpoint ; and

Whereas the Government of Japan has inflicted the death penalty upon certain Socialist working-men in a futile endeavour to delay or prevent the advance of human freedom :

Therefore, be it Resolved, That this House condemns this action of the ruling powers of Japan, and regrets that Great Britain should ally itself for any purposes with a Government capable of such unspeakable barbarity.

Mr. Speaker *Eberts* : The motion refers to certain acts of the Government of Japan and speaks of them as acts of “unspeakable barbarity,” and proceeds to condemn the ruling power of Japan for said acts.

*May*, page 333, 11th edition, lays down the salutary rule that opprobrious reflection cannot be cast in debate on sovereigns and rulers over countries in amity with His Majesty.

As Japan is an ally of and at amity with Great Britain, I think the resolution offends, and I must rule it out of order.

*See further*—English *Hansard* Debates, vol. 237, p. 1,639, vol. 238, p. 799 ; English Parliamentary Debates, vol. 45, p. 891.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* appealed to the House from the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division :—

YEAS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Tisdall,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Miller,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Hayward,</i>
<i>Braden,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Manson, M.,</i>	<i>Caven,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Parson.</i>
<i>Jardine,</i>			

NAYS—2.

Messieurs

*Hawthornthwaite,*

*Williams.*

On the motion of Mr. *Wm. Manson*, Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Naas and Peace River Railway Company” was introduced and read a first time,

Referred to the Railway Committee.

Mr. *Hayward* moved, seconded by Mr. *Shatford*,—

Whereas a provisional agreement has been arrived at between Canada and the United States, having in view reductions in the tariff on certain commodities and the free exchange of others ;

And whereas the proposed tariff readjustment will be highly detrimental to the agricultural interests, by the flooding of the Canadian markets with American-grown produce of all kinds ;

And whereas the arrangement will enure to the disadvantage of British Columbia in several important respects, without any compensating advantages in other respects :

Therefore, be it Resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to move His Excellency the Governor-General to take into his serious consideration the effects of such proposed changes in the tariff, and that His Honour be requested to telegraph the contents of this resolution to His Excellency.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until Monday next.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts."

The debate was further adjourned.

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

On the motion of Mr. *W. Manson*, Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Mid-Provincial and Nechaco Railway Company" was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Railway Committee.

And then the House adjourned at 6 P.M.

Monday, 6th February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. A. Collinson*.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Hayward* on 3rd February, as follows :—

"Whereas a provisional agreement has been arrived at between Canada and the United States, having in view reductions in the tariff on certain commodities and the free exchange of others ;

"And whereas the proposed tariff readjustment will be highly detrimental to the agricultural interests, by the flooding of the Canadian markets with American-grown produce of all kinds ;

"And whereas the arrangement will enure to the disadvantage of British Columbia in several important respects, without any compensating advantages in other respects :

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to move His Excellency the Governor-General to take into his serious consideration the effects of such proposed changes in the tariff, and that His Honour be requested to telegraph the contents of this resolution to His Excellency."

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Hon. Dr. *Youny*, Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospitals for Insane Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts."

Bill read a second time on the following division :—

YEAS—33.

Messieurs

<i>Shaw,</i>	<i>Tisdall,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Manson, W. J.,</i>
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>McPhillips,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Miller,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Braden,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Manson, M.,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Lucas.</i>	<i>Caven,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	<i>Parson.</i>
<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Davey.</i>
<i>Manson, W.,</i>			

NAYS—2.

Messieurs

*Williams,*

*Hawthornthwaite.*

To be committed to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow :—

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Charitable Associations Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company."

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Tuesday, 7th February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. A. Collinson*.

The following reports were presented :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
7th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with Petition No. 8, "British Columbia Accident and Employers' Liability Insurance Company, Limited," have been complied with.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
7th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate Victoria Stock Exchange" has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Hayward* on 3rd February, as follows :—

"Whereas a provisional agreement has been arrived at between Canada and the United States, having in view reductions in the tariff on certain commodities and the free exchange of others ;

"And whereas the proposed tariff readjustment will be highly detrimental to the agricultural interests, by the flooding of the Canadian markets with American-grown produce of all kinds ;

"And whereas the arrangement will enure to the disadvantage of British Columbia in several important respects, without any compensating advantages in other respects :

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to move His Excellency the Governor-General to take into his serious consideration the effects of such proposed changes in the tariff, and that His Honour be requested to telegraph the contents of this resolution to His Excellency."

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

1. How many tenders were submitted for the construction of the Government Ferro-Concrete Pile wharf at Prince Rupert in 1909 ?

2. By whom were tenders submitted, and at what figures ?
3. To whom was the contract awarded, and at what figure ?
4. When was the contract signed ?
5. Has the work tendered for in 1909, or any part of it, been commenced or completed ?
6. What style of Ferro-Concrete Pile is being used, and by whom designed ?
7. Has this particular design of Ferro-Concrete Pile ever been used in the construction of concrete wharves ; and, if so, where ?
8. Has the Government any report on the success of this particular design of pile, or has it been passed upon and approved by a competent Ferro-Concrete engineer ; and, if so, who is the authority ?
9. Has the contractor deposited security for the completion of contract ? If so, how much ?
10. Is this work, or any part of it, being done, or *to be done*, on a percentage basis of cost ?
11. When will the wharf be completed, and what is the estimated cost when finished ?

The Hon. Mr. Taylor replied as follows :—

“ 1. Seven.

“ 2.	Name.	Wharf complete, inclusive of slips.	Wharf complete, exclusive of slips.
	Westholme Lumber Co., Victoria . . . . .	\$ 69,958 00	\$ 64,108 00
	A. B. and R. H. Palmer, Vancouver . . . . .	71,265 00	67,265 00
	H. S. Clements & Co., Prince Rupert . . . . .	86,616 34	69,987 44
	Frank C. Sewell, Vancouver . . . . .	97,650 00	91,320 00
	Armstrong, Morrison & Co., Vancouver . . . . .	101,200 00	96,000 00
	Miller & Cumming, Toronto . . . . .	102,000 00	96,000 00
	Macdonell, Gzowski & Co., Vancouver . . . . .	148,000 00	138,000 00

“ 3. Westholme Lumber Co., Ltd., \$69,958.00.

“ 4. 28th April, 1909.

“ 5. Yes.

“ 6. A concrete pile reinforced with angles and expanded steel. *Edward Mohun, C.E.*

“ 7. Not known.

“ 8. Report on test pile, *James Rebbeck, C.E.*

“ 9. Yes. \$7,000.00.

“ 10. No.

“ 11. About four months. Wharf, \$69,958.00 ; sea-wall, rock-filling, etc., \$32,240.00 = \$102,198.00.”

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

1. Did the Government erect a wharf at Mary Island in 1910 ?

2. If so, what was the cost of erection ?

The Hon. Mr. Taylor replied as follows :—

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. \$2,495.63.”

The Report on Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Tramway Inspection Act’” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 17) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Benevolent Societies Act’” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘County Courts Act’” was again committed. Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.



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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Fire Insurance," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*7th February, 1911.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to Fire Insurance," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Charitable Associations Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Third reading to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting Railways."

Bill read a second time on the following division :—

YEAS—33.

Messieurs

<i>Shaw,</i>	<i>Manson, W.,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Tisdall,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Manson, W. J.,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>
<i>Mackenzie,</i>	<i>Miller,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Braden,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Manson, M.,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Parson,</i>
<i>Lucas,</i>	<i>Caven,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	<i>Davey.</i>
<i>Jardine.</i>			

NAYS—3.

Messieurs

*Williams,* *Hawthornthwaite,* *Brewster.*

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospitals for Insane Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company" was committed.

Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Wednesday, 8th February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. H. A. Carson.

The following reports were presented :—

REPORT No. 11.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
8th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with :—

Petition No. 13.—*Re* Vancouver Plate Glass Insurance Company.

Petition No. 14.—*Re* British Pacific Loan and Mortgage Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

REPORT No. 12.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
8th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the time limited for presenting reports from the Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders be extended until February 16th, 1911.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
8th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act respecting the Portland Canal Short Line Railway, and to change its Name to the ‘Canadian North-eastern Railway Company.’”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *Macgowan*—Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Vancouver Plate Glass Insurance Company.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Macgowan*—Bill (No. 63) intituled “An Act to incorporate the British Pacific Land and Mortgage Corporation.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Mackay*—Bill (No. 57) intituled “An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Accident and Employers’ Liability Insurance Company, Limited.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Tramway Inspection Act.’”

Bill (No. 17) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Benevolent Societies Act.’”

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘County Courts Act.’”

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Charitable Associations Act.’”

The report on Bill (No. 60) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company” was adopted.

To be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act respecting the Department of Railways” was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Constitution Act’” was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes” was committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:25 P.M.

Thursday, 9th February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *H. A. Carson.*

The following reports were presented :—

REPORT NO. 13.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
9th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petition have been complied with :—

Petition No. 9.—*Re* the City of Vancouver.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

REPORT NO. 14.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
9th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the undermentioned Petitions have not complied with the Standing Orders, inasmuch as the required publication in a newspaper and in the Gazette is not complete, but your Committee would recommend that the Bills be allowed to proceed :—

Petition No. 17.—Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company, Limited.

Petition No. 19.—West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

REPORT NO. 15.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
8th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to enable the Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 25) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Municipalities Incorporation Act.’ ”

Second reading to-morrow.

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 24) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Jurors Act.’ ”

Second reading to-morrow.

By Mr. *Lucas*—Bill (No. 66) intituled “ An Act to incorporate the Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company, Limited.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Tisdall*—Bill (No. 58) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900.’ ”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Miller*—Bill (No. 68) intituled “ An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1912 ;

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year ending 31st March, 1911 ;

Schedule A, Unprovided Items of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1910 ;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*9th February, 1911.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled “ An Act respecting Habit-forming Drugs,” Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* objected that the Bill affected trade and commerce, and should have been introduced under the provisions of Rule 58.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

A debate arose which was adjourned until to-morrow.

Bill (No. 3) intituled “ An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts ” was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, Bill (No. 26) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Municipal Clauses Act ’ ” was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 22) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Hospitals for Insane Act ’ ” was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to Fire Insurance" was read a second time.  
To be committed to-morrow.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

## Friday, 10th February, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. A. N. Miller.

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

1. What is the amount of money appropriated for the construction of the road known as the "Five-mile Road," Similkameen Electoral District?
2. Has any portion of this appropriation been expended? If so, what amount?
3. Extent of new road constructed, if any?
4. Name of foreman, and amount received by him?
5. Number of men employed under such foreman on road, length of employment, and amounts received by them prior to 31st October, 1910?

The Hon. Mr. Taylor replied as follows:—

"1. \$2,500.

"2. Yes. \$2,565.73.

"3. 16,100 feet.

"4. S. R. Gibson, \$252; W. Allison, \$31.50.

"5. 23 men, employment and amounts as follows:—

W. W. Triplett,	15 days,	\$ 45 00.
" team,	5 "	22 50.
W. Allison,	22½ "	135 00.
D. Courtney,	38½ "	115 00.
R. Jamieson,	29½ "	88 50.
Roy Martin,	17½ "	52 50.
Alfred Allison,	34½ "	103 50.
W. Thomas,	14 "	56 00.
F. Oldrich,	13 "	39 00.
S. R. Gibson, team,	45 "	202 50.
D. McDonald,	51½ "	154 50.
H. Allison,	51½ "	154 50.
W. Bird,	2 "	6 00.
E. Watson,	39 "	117 00.
T. C. King,	4 "	12 00.
S. Powers,	15½ "	46 50.
" team,	5½ "	24 75.
R. Powers,	7 "	21 00.
F. Sherman,	25 "	75 00.
H. Snibley,	15 "	52 50.
F. W. Trehearne,	16 "	48 00.
T. J. Guinan,	16 "	48 00.
J. Lodge,	18½ "	61 75.
C. Griffin,	12 "	36 00.
W. Stainsby,	7½ "	22 50."

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act authorising the Grant of certain Lands in the City of Vancouver for Park Purposes" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to Fire Insurance" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Infants and the Appointment of an Official Guardian," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*10th February, 1911.*

*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. 28) intituled "An Act respecting Infants and the Appointment of an Official Guardian," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading on Monday next.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed on Monday next:—

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company."

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate Victoria Stock Exchange."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company."

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act respecting the Portland Canal Short Line Railway, and to change its Name to the 'Canadian North-eastern Railway Company'"

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to enable the Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

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Monday, 13th February, 1911.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *J. W. Flinton*.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The Hon. *Price Ellison* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *McBride*,—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

A debate arose which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospitals for Insane Act'" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act relating to Fire Insurance" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *Ross* presented a Return to an Order of the House showing the total number of pre-emptions applied for between January 1st, 1905, and January 1st, 1910; the number of such pre-emptions that have been cancelled or abandoned; the number of such cancelled pre-emptions that have been subsequently purchased by the parties originally applying for them; the number of such pre-emptions the titles to which have been subsequently delivered by mail or in person to the original pre-emptors, and the number delivered to agents for them; also, the number of applications to purchase Crown lands during the same period.

Mr. *Thomson* presented a petition from the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited, for leave to present a petition for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act.

Received.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting Railways" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:59 P.M.

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Tuesday, 14th February, 1911.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. J. H. S. Sweet.

The following reports were presented :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
14th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

Your Committee are of opinion that the Standing Orders should be suspended so as to admit of the petition for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "The Pacific Coast Coal-mines, Limited (Non-Personal Liability), Debenture Act, 1911," to be presented, and we recommend the same accordingly.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.  
Report adopted.

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
14th February, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Naas and Peace River Railway Company."

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Mid-Provincial and Nechaco Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*14th February, 1911.*

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

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Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Thomson* presented a petition from the Pacific Coast Coal-mines, Limited (Non-Personal Liability), for leave to introduce a Bill to amend its corporate Act. (No. 20.)  
Received.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. *Young*, Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospitals for Insane Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Department of Railways" was again committed.  
Reported complete with amendments.  
Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting Railways" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act.'"  
Bill read a second time.  
To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act'" was committed.  
Reported without amendment.  
Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act respecting Infants and the Appointment of an Official Guardian" was read a second time.  
To be committed to-morrow.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company" was adopted.  
Third reading to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5:40 P.M.