

Friday, March 2nd, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

That this House express its deep sense of the loss sustained in the death of the Hon. *William Sloan*, Minister of Mines and Commissioner of Fisheries, a member of this House for over eleven years, and the representative of the people of the Constituency of Nanaimo; a man, indeed a friend, worthy of the confidence reposed in him by all who knew him.

That this House express its condolence and sincere sympathy with Mrs. Sloan and the members of the bereaved family.

And that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Sloan.

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

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

That this House, as a token of respect for the memory of the late Hon. *William Sloan*, Minister of Mines and Commissioner of Fisheries, do now adjourn.

And then the House adjourned at 2.52 p.m.

Monday, March 5th, 1928.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* 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 'Forest Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 5th, 1928.

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. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest 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.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Sixth Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Superannuation Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1927.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Barrow*, Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Live Stock and Live-stock Products Act (British Columbia)'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants *re* Civil Service, to 31st March, 1929.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, King's Printer, to 31st March, 1929.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Registration of Voters, to 31st March, 1929.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1929.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1929.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Industries for Blind Adults, to 31st March, 1929.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1929.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Salaries of Members, Workmen's Compensation Board, to 31st March, 1929.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Historic Objects Preservation Act," to 31st March, 1929.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies and Incidentals, to 31st March, 1929.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1929.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,258 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1929.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,490 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, Probate and Succession Duties, to 31st March, 1929.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,376 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1929.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$115,994 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1929.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$575,453.85 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1929.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Exchange, to 31st March, 1929.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, Cheques, Estimates, etc., to 31st March, 1929.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Suitors' Fund Deposits, etc., to 31st March, 1929.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent Extra-municipal School Taxes, to 31st March, 1929.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$775 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Premium on Insurance, Fairview Works, to 31st March, 1929.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1929.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Bureau of Information and Department of Industries, to 31st March, 1929.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Municipalities Aid Act," R.S.B.C. 1924, Sec. 2, to 31st March, 1929.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Municipalities Aid Act," R.S.B.C. 1924, Sec. 3, to 31st March, 1929.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1929.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$246,430 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1929.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1929.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,260 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House, to 31st March, 1929.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Cariboo Highway (Toll Section), to 31st March, 1929.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, to 31st March, 1929.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,414 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1929.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,110 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1929.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. How many licensed beer-parlours are there now in the Province?
2. Is this an increase or decrease over the last year, and by how many?
3. Have any beer-parlour licences been cancelled during the past year, giving the name of the parlour and for what cause?
4. What amount of money is paid for a licence? If the amount varies, name amount in each section of the Province and the reason for the difference?
5. In how many of the beer-parlours has a brewer or brewers any direct or indirect interest? Name the beer-parlour and the brewer interested?
6. What amount of beer in value and volume have the beer-parlour licensees purchased for the first six months of the past fiscal year? Is there any increase or decrease over the corresponding six months of last year?
7. Has the sale of beer by the glass led to a decrease or increase in the sale of spirituous liquors, and to what extent during the past year?
8. When was beer by the glass voted upon in this Province? What was the majority in the Province for or against beer by the glass?

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Superannuation Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Infants Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Four million six hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Jones*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Jones*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

With the leave of the House, Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* withdrew his objection on the point of order raised by him on March 1st on the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 46) 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.

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

1. From whom are the rooms and building, occupied by the Government Employment Office on Richards Street, Vancouver, rented?
2. What rate is being paid for said premises?

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

"1. W. T. McArthur & Co., Ltd.

"2. \$200 per month."

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What has been the total sum of money spent since April 1st, 1927, to January 31st, 1928 (other than moneys from the various Loan Acts), on public highways and bridges in each electoral district throughout the Province (without details)?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

District.	Roads.	Bridges.
" Alberni.....	\$71,520.87	\$16,182.47
Atlin.....	50,180.67	19,868.95
Burnaby.....	4,170.79	1,312.22
Cariboo.....	77,055.37	21,344.50
Chilliwack.....	33,861.30	435.15
Columbia.....	46,048.72	5,382.07
Comox.....	76,867.15	10,182.27
Cowichan-Newcastle.....	88,935.93	8,319.52
Cranbrook.....	52,180.95	11,140.13
Creston.....	52,484.75	9,776.09
Delta.....	22,711.74	1,179.37
Dewdney.....	54,213.19	11,388.19
Esquimalt.....	77,269.55	24,865.88
Fernie.....	40,380.65	15,023.29
Fort George.....	79,614.13	18,456.46
Grand Forks-Greenwood.....	45,383.05	3,845.01
Islands.....	35,470.33	2,668.98
Kamloops.....	48,459.10	4,557.76
Kaslo-Slocan.....	76,771.76	15,551.81
Lillooet.....	56,864.15	11,762.38
Mackenzie.....	19,705.88	4,353.74
Nanaimo.....	13,573.64	836.62
Nelson.....	2,800.89	358.46
New Westminster.....	737.50	.....
North Okanagan.....	44,721.99	11,871.48
North Vancouver.....	8,197.39	308.98
Omineca.....	74,457.01	20,082.52
Prince Rupert.....	26,159.47	11,216.67
Revelstoke.....	47,484.69	13,397.36
Richmond-Point Grey.....	11,852.66	5,915.60
Rossland-Trail.....	19,463.79	907.54
Saanich.....	9,760.31	154.79
Salmon Arm.....	39,153.97	8,405.20
Similkameen.....	48,078.02	4,040.66
Skeena.....	54,419.11	13,376.59
South Okanagan.....	46,079.21	5,162.65
South Vancouver.....	480.38	.....
Yale.....	49,986.89	6,110.84
Miscellaneous.....	.....	6,595.22 "

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

1. How many motor-cars and trucks were purchased by the Department of Public Works during the year 1927?
2. What make of car or truck was purchased, and what was the number of each make?
3. What price was paid in each case?
4. What is the name and address of each firm from whom each car or truck was purchased?
5. Of the total number of cars purchased, what number were replacements, and what amount was allowed in each case?
6. How many (a) motor-cars and (b) trucks are in possession of the Department of Public Works as at December 31st, 1927?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. 13 motor-cars; 67 motor-trucks.

"2 and 3. Motor-cars and average price as follows: 3 Fords, \$656; 5 Chevrolets, \$701; 3 Stars, \$642; 1 Dodge, \$1,053; 1 Studebaker, \$2,345.

"Motor-trucks and average price as follows: 1 G.M.C., \$4,106.18; 2 Grahams, \$2,920; 2 Internationals, \$2,550; 3 Whites, \$5,885; 9 Federals, \$3,898; 23 Chevrolets, \$1,020; 27 Fords, \$853.

"4. Purchased from local agents in each case.

"5. The following nine cars were replacements: 1 Chevrolet Touring, \$816.45, less \$250 for 2 old Fords; 1 Chevrolet Touring, \$801.45, less \$300 for old Chevrolet; 1 Star Coupe, \$1,070.46, less \$425 for old Chevrolet; 1 Star Touring, \$795.77, less \$320 for old Maxwell; 1 Star Touring, \$856, less \$250 for old Star; 1 Dodge Sedan, \$1,512.80, less \$460 for old Dodge; 1 Studebaker Sedan, \$3,245.34, less \$900 for old Hudson. NOTE.—Two Fords were traded in on first Chevrolet. One Ford was traded in on a truck (S-214) and \$150 allowed.

"6. 43 motor-cars; 222 motor-trucks."

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

1. Has a gravity waterworks system been completed for Tranquille Sanatorium?
2. What was estimated cost?
3. What was actual cost?
4. Who installed the system?
5. Will the system fully take care of last year's addition?
6. Will the system fully take care of this year's addition?
7. Does the system fully give fire-protection to all the buildings, including the farm buildings?
8. What pressure do the hydrants show when they are simultaneously in use?
9. Is the filtration system and plant working satisfactorily?
10. Is it expected that by the installation of the waterworks system there will be a consequent substantial saving of fuel in the boiler plant by the elimination of steam-pump?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. \$65,000, water-supply and sewerage.

"3. \$63,030.70, water-supply and sewerage.

"4. Department of Public Works, under supervision of District Engineer Taylor.

"5. Yes.

"6. Yes.

"7. Yes, nine new fire hydrants.

"8. With four hydrants in use pressure is 55 lb. per square inch on each.

"9. Yes.

"10. Yes; estimated saving in coal is 1 ton per day."

Mr. *Jones* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

1. How many months during 1926 did the Government keep open a Labour Employment Office in Kelowna?
2. How many months was this office kept open in 1927?
3. What was the total salary paid to the official in charge during 1926?
4. What was the total salary paid during 1927?
5. What was the total expense incurred in running this office in each of the years 1926 and 1927?

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

"1. Six months, May 15th to November 15th,

"2. Seven and one-half months, May 15th to December 31st.

"3. \$665.32.

"4. \$830.

"5. 1926, \$804.28; 1927, \$950.87."

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

1. What was the cost of the new bridge over French Creek, on the Island Highway?
2. When was it built?
3. What was the engineer's first estimate of the cost?
4. What was the cost of the old bridge on the same site?
5. When was that built?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. Cost, \$6,174.19. Estimated lifetime, 25 years.
- "2. 1926.
- "3. \$6,930 (modern structure to meet present traffic requirements).
- "4. \$2,309.10. This was a crude structure built for light traffic and became unsafe.
- "5. 1912."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.15 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Monday, March 5th, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Parks Act.'"

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

On the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Lyons*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Twiggy*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Counties Definition Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Testator's Family Maintenance Act.'"

Second reading negatived.

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.15 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6th, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the Year ended December 31st, 1926.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of the amendments to Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Parks Act,'" introduced by Message on February 22nd.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to provide Relief for the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District."

On the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Four million six hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

On the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Live Stock and Live-stock Products Act (British Columbia)'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Dr. *Wrinch* presented the Fifth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 6th, 1928.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That we have now considered all matters that have been presented to this Committee; and that regarding "An Act for the Relief of Dairy Farmers" we report five separate meetings were held on this matter. Delegations and communications were given every consideration, and the decision of your Committee was the passing of the following resolution:—

"That this Committee, while not prepared to recommend this Bill to the Legislature this Session, believes it desirable that an independent and complete investigation be made into the matters involved with a view to having the question considered again next Session."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. C. WRINCH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 6th, 1928.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Representations from the promoter of the undermentioned Bill were carefully considered, together with those of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, who petitioned against the passage of the Bill.

The subject-matter of the undermentioned Bill has been before the Privy Council and other Courts for a considerable time and a similar Bill was before the Legislature in the Session of 1925.

The Supreme Court of this Province has restrained the engineer mentioned in the Bill from proceeding, owing to the subject-matter being barred by the Statute of Limitations.

Your Committee finds that the facts recited in the preamble of the Bill have not been proved; that to allow the Bill to proceed would be overriding the Statute of Limitations, and does not think there is sufficient cause for the Legislature taking such a course; that only in cases of grave injustice should the Legislature override the functions of the Courts; and recommends that Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act relating to the Westholme Lumber Company, Limited, and the Corporation of the City of Victoria" be not allowed to proceed; but, recognizing the sincerity and energy of the promoter of the Bill, recommend the fees be returned.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

Mr. W. A. *McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. What is the total sum of money expended by the Department of Public Works for engineering-work (other than that done by District Engineers) since January 1st, 1918, up to December 31st, 1927?

2. Does such total amount include wages of chainmen, instrument-men, axemen, and all helpers? If not, what has been expended on wages for such helpers for the same period?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. For years 1918 to 1926, see Journals, 1923, page 214, and 1926-27, page 58; 1927, \$107,022.37.

"2. Yes."

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

1. Did the Government of the Province of British Columbia contribute in any manner to the cost of the bridge across the Fraser at Prince George?
2. If yes, in what way and how much?
3. Does the Government make an annual contribution to upkeep of said bridge?
4. If so, how much?
5. Does the Government hold any running rights for its trains over bridge?
6. In the event of it exercising these rights, does its annual contribution increase, and to what extent?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“1. Yes, for highway purposes.

“2. Grant, \$350,000.

“3 and 4. Department maintains only highway floors, rails, etc. There is no annual grant to railway company.

“5. No.

“6. Answered by No. 5.”

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.15 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.08 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6th, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, Report No. 7 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Odlum*, Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Architects Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled “An Act to provide Relief for the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District.”

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Elections Act.’”

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

Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Village Municipalities Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What has been the total sum of money spent since April 1st, 1927, to January 31st, 1928, upon public highways in each electoral riding from the various Loan Acts of the Government, without giving details of amounts spent under each Act?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

District.	Roads.	Bridges.	Total.
Alberni.....	\$31,186.18	.....	\$31,186.18
Atlin.....	103,624.51	\$20,544.56	124,169.07
Burnaby.....	139,717.35	.....	139,717.35
Cariboo.....	62,102.54	12,356.18	75,458.72
Chilliwack.....	36,937.39	9,891.64	46,829.03
Columbia.....	56,701.80	1,999.65	58,701.45
Comox.....	52,271.59	121.30	52,392.89
Cowichan-Newcastle.....	17,952.98	.....	17,952.98
Cranbrook.....	59,791.00	80,718.39	140,509.39
Creston.....	80,111.58	1,816.74	81,928.32
Delta.....	8,881.69	.....	8,881.69
Dewdney.....	55,902.33	60,275.00	116,177.33
Esquimalt.....	62,041.04	41,601.38	103,642.42
Fernie.....	89,432.73	13,275.38	102,708.11
Fort George.....	51,101.61	20,665.24	71,766.85
Grand Forks-Greenwood.....	25,782.11	45,470.21	71,252.32
Islands.....	15,691.75	.....	15,691.75
Kamloops.....	38,611.41	3,982.08	42,593.49
Kaslo-Slocan.....	149,732.53	19,478.67	169,211.20
Lillooet.....	42,680.29	5,371.56	48,051.85
Mackenzie.....	61,986.04	16,760.09	78,746.13
Nanaimo.....	.....	.....	.....
Nelson.....	.....	117.90	117.90
New Westminster.....	.....	.....	.....
North Okanagan.....	25,443.82	.....	25,443.82
North Vancouver.....	18,588.36	.....	18,588.36
Omineca.....	59,894.61	4,681.97	64,576.58
Prince Rupert.....	120,377.60	.....	120,377.60
Revelstoke.....	74,657.86	57,892.59	132,550.45
Richmond-Point Grey.....	.....	.....	.....
Rossland-Trail.....	38,976.81	.....	38,976.81
Saanich.....	.....	.....	.....
Salmon Arm.....	49,317.00	.....	49,317.00
Similkameen.....	39,443.73	25,401.09	64,844.82
Skeena.....	89,094.69	14,347.66	103,442.35
South Okanagan.....	19,194.79	.....	19,194.79
South Vancouver.....	15,484.40	.....	15,484.40
Yale.....	476,039.11	53,119.45	529,158.56
Miscellaneous, Surveys and Engineering..	6,032.97	.....	6,032.97 "

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.15 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.39 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7th, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 7th, 1928.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

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

Your Committee has given careful attention to the various suggestions from the promoters and other interested public bodies in regard to the undermentioned Bill and amendments thereto.

Your Committee has made several amendments to the original Bill to endeavour to meet many complex matters affecting the welfare of the City of Vancouver.

Representations were made to your Committee to amend the present Act to limit the powers of the Council in regard to initiating street-lighting improvements, but in view of the commendable work of town planning, now being carried on, and the fact that the powers now vested in the Corporation do not appear to have been abused, and in view of the necessity of some powers being vested in the Corporation to change and initiate improved lighting systems for the general welfare of the citizens, particularly regarding the detection of crime and the control of traffic, it is not deemed advisable to recommend any limitation of power now vested in the Corporation.

Representations were made to your Committee urging that the limitation of the appeal on assessments be removed.

Your Committee approves the principle of appeals on assessment being allowed on the question of the actual value of the property affected, but believes that, in view of the new Assessment Board being provided in the Amalgamation Bill now before the Legislature, it is not advisable to make amendments on assessment matters this year.

Amendments are submitted limiting the amount to be charged as local improvements to property affected on main thoroughfares; to make certain changes in the licence fees; to abolish plural voting; to provide for the Corporation to keep its streets in reasonable repair; and other matters.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act.'"

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman.*

REPORT No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 7th, 1928.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the undermentioned Bill was referred to your Committee.

Your Committee returns the Bill herewith and recommends that the same be allowed to proceed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Relief of The Corporation of the District of Coquitlam."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman.*

The reports were read and received.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, it was *Ordered* that Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Relief of The Corporation of the District of Coquitlam" be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* 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 an amendment to Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 5th, 1928.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To amend by adding to section 3 of the Bill the following subsections:—

"(6.) The soil and freehold of every public street, road, lane, and other public way situate within the Municipalities respectively now vested in His Majesty under the provisions of the 'Municipal Act' shall be, and are hereby declared to be, vested in the Greater City.

"(7.) Items 5, 6, and 9 of the Second Schedule to the 'Land Registry Act' shall not apply in respect of the registration of title in the Greater City to any land or charge of or belonging to the Municipalities respectively or to the respective Boards of School Trustees of the City, South Vancouver, and Point Grey, which by this Act is vested in the Greater City."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Report adopted.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver."

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 Mr. *Davie*—Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to conserve to Owners of Real Property within Municipalities the Right to fence such Property."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*—Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. *MacLean*—Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Abbotsford School District Act.'"

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to perpetuate certain Building Restrictions in certain Portions of District Lot 550, in the City of North Vancouver, which front on Grand Boulevard in said City" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Lands Administration Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'"

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal and Petroleum Act.'"

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Optometry Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1921.'"

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1921.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1921 (Second Session).'"

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electrical Energy Inspection Act.'"

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Milk Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Canadian Farm Loans" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the District of Burnaby" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. How many motor-cars were purchased by the Attorney-General's Department during the year 1927?
2. What make of car was purchased in each case?
3. What price was paid in each case?
4. What is the name and address of each firm from whom each car was purchased?
5. Of total number of cars purchased, what number were replacements and what amount was allowed for old car in each case?
6. How many motor-cars are in possession of Department of Attorney-General as at December 31st, 1927?

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

1. What work was done during 1926-27 and to December 31st last in extension of the public road system from Hazelton to Terrace?
2. What were surveying and engineering costs, with estimated total construction costs?
3. What contracts (if any) have been awarded in connection with this work?
4. Were tenders in all cases invited, and what bids were received and what action taken thereupon?
5. Did contracts contain provisions prohibiting or regulating subletting?
6. What part or parts of this work were done by day-labour and at what cost?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. 11½ miles of road constructed, 9 miles of right-of-way cleared, and 25 miles surveyed.
- "2. Surveying costs, \$7,498; final estimate not completed for this section.
- "3. Contract for clearing between Usk and Copper River awarded to local bidders.
- "4. Yes; at unit prices; lowest tenders accepted.
- "5. Yes, as to regulating.
- "6. All other work done by day-labour; total cost, \$73,837.90."

Mr. *W. A. McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—
What is the total road mileage in each electoral riding in British Columbia?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"See page 37 of the Report of the Minister of Public Works for the year 1926-27."

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

1. Has a new pass been discovered through the mountains north of the Skeena River by which a highway may be constructed at reasonable cost to connect Prince Rupert with the Provincial road system? If yes, where?
2. Was an aeroplane employed in photographing said country? If so, how long was it used, and what was the cost of the aeroplane?
3. Were engineers employed in connection with the location? If so, what was the cost thereof, and what were the results of their work?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. No.
- "2. Yes; two days, \$258.33.
- "3. Yes. Costs, \$36. Results satisfactory."

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. How many mines in British Columbia are shipping ore at the present time?
2. What are the names of the mines actually shipping ore at the present time?
3. How many such mines are located between Squamish and Quesnel?
4. What is the distance, approximately, of each such mine from any depot on the line of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, and what is the name of each such mine?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

“ 1. 126.

“ 2. Mine and locality as follows:—

“ Atlin Mining Division—

Cherokee, Vaughan Mountain; Engineer, Taku Arm.

“ Portland Canal Mining Division—

B.C. Silver, Salmon River; Premier, Salmon River; Dunwell, Glacier Creek; Porter-Idaho, Glacier Creek; Montana, Marmot River; Outsider, Maple Bay; Terminus, Bear River.

“ Nass River Mining Division—

Hidden Creek, Granby Bay; Golskeish, Granby Bay; Wolf, Kitsault River; Esperanza, Kitsault River.

“ Skeena Mining Division—Trixie, Porcher Island.

“ Omineca Mining Division—

Henderson, Hudson Bay Mountain; Little Joe, Babine Mountain.

“ Cariboo Mining Division—Pioneer, Buckley Creek.

“ Kamloops Mining Division—

Homestake, Adams Lake; Iron Mask, Kamloops; Mineral Queen, Kamloops.

“ Vernon Mining Division—

St. Paul, Lumby; Kelly, Summerland.

“ Lillooet Mining Division—

Pioneer, Cadwallader Creek; Coronation, Cadwallader Creek.

“ Greenwood Mining Division—

Crescent, Greenwood; Providence, Greenwood; Inyo-Ackworth, Beaverdell; Bell, Beaverdell; Sally, Beaverdell; Wellington, Beaverdell; Enterprise, Greenwood; Bounty, Beaverdell; Revenge, Beaverdell; Tiger, Beaverdell; Gold Drop, Beaverdell; Elkhorn, Greenwood; Jewel, Greenwood; Rambler, Beaverdell; Spotted Horse, Greenwood; Standard Fraction, Beaverdell.

“ Grand Forks Mining Division—

Lightning Peak, Lightning Peak; Emma Bluebird, Eholt.

“ Osoyoos Mining Division—Hedley (Nickel Plate), Hedley.

“ Similkameen Mining Division—

Renfrew, Lawless Creek; Copper Mountain, Similkameen River; Eureka, Tulameen River.

“ Trail Creek Mining Division—

Velvet, Rossland; Midnight, Rossland; I.X.L., Rossland; Centre Star Group, Rossland.

“ Fort Steele Mining Division—

Aurora, Moyie; Guindon, Moyie; Stemwinder, Kimberley; St. Eugene, Moyie; Sullivan, Kimberley; Red Eagle, Bull River.

“ Windermere Mining Division—

B.C. & Tilbury, Toby Creek; Paradise, Spring Creek; Lead Queen, Frances Creek.

“ Golden Mining Division—

L. E. Anderson, Beavermouth; Ruth-Vermont, Vermont Creek.

“ Ainsworth Mining Division—

Gibson Group, Kaslo; Caledonia, Kaslo Creek; Bluebell, Riondel; Bluebell, Pilot Bay; Lakeshore, Ainsworth; Metals Recovery, Whitewater; Montezuma, Kaslo Creek; Silver Hoard, Ainsworth; Whitewater, Whitewater; Lavina, Argenta; Patrick, Argenta; Banker, Ainsworth; J. Anderson, Kaslo; Highland, Ainsworth; Monte Christo, Kaslo Creek.

“Slocan Mining Division—

Monitor, Three Forks; Mountain Chief, Alama; Mammoth, Silverton; Silversmith, Sandon; Hidden Treasure, Sandon; Van Roi, Silverton; Lucky Jim, Zincton; Noble Five, Sandon; Rambler-Cariboo, Rambler; Alamo, Alamo; Galena Farm, Silverton; Standard, Silverton; Wonderful, Sandon; Bosun, Sandon; Canadian, Sandon; Minnie-Ha-Ha, Sandon; Molly Hughes, New Denver; Trade Dollar, Sandon; Fishermaiden, Silverton; Ruth-Hope, Sandon; Colonial, Sandon; Victor, Sandon; Hewitt, Silverton; Surprise, Sandon; American Boy, Carpenter Creek; Antoine, Sandon; Queen Bess, Alamo; Metallic, Silverton; Mountain Con, Carpenter Creek; Oro, Sandon; Red Fox, Sandon; Dora, Three Forks.

“Slocan City Mining Division—

Anna, Springer Creek; Enterprise, Enterprise Creek.

“Trout Lake Mining Division—True Fissure, Ferguson.

“Nelson Mining Division—

Molly Gibson, Kokanee Mountain; Goodenough, Ymir; Rover, Nelson; Alice, Creston; H.B., Salmo; Silver Reef, Nelson; Kootenay Belle, Salmo; Yankee Girl, Ymir; Queen Victoria, Beasley; Hunter V., Ymir.

“Lardeau Mining Division—Multiplex, Camborne.

“Revelstoke Mining Division—

Snowflake, Albert Canyon; Woolsey, Albert Canyon.

“Vancouver Mining Division—Britannia, Britannia Beach.

“Nanaimo Mining Division—Lucky Jim, Quadra Island.

“3. Three.

“4. Pioneer Mine (Cariboo), about 5 miles from Williams Lake Station; Pioneer Mine (Lillooet), about 45 miles from Bridge River Station; Coronation Mine (Lillooet), about 45 miles from Bridge River Station.

“NOTE.—In addition to the above, there are three companies shipping sodium carbonate at the present time from claims held under the ‘Mineral Act,’ as follows: Iron King Mine (Clinton), about 1 mile from Alta Lake Section; Lloyd Campbell, Ltd. (Clinton), about 4½ miles from 70-Mile Station; Soda Mining & Produce Co., Ltd. (Clinton), on P.G.E., about 1 mile north of Boyd Station.”

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

What is the amount collected from the City of Vancouver from: (a) Gasoline-tax; (b) vehicle-tax?

The Hon. Mr. Manson replied as follows:—

“See answers to questions asked by Mr. W. A. McKenzie and Mr. N. A. Wallinger of Minister of Finance under date February 21st, 1928.”

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

1. What sum of money was spent on the Charlotte City-Tlell-Port Clements Road?
2. How many people live in the vicinity of this road?
3. In what condition are the bridges on this road? How long have they been built? Are they built of spruce, hemlock, or cedar?
4. How many residents of the district served by this road were employed in the construction of it?
5. How many non-residents?
6. What was the rate of pay paid to labourers, and what was the rate of pay for teams?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

“1. \$54,662 in 1927-28.

“2. 700.

“3. Fair. Constructed during past fifteen years. Built of cedar where available; hemlock and spruce where no cedar available.

“4. Seventy.

“5. Six.

“6. Labourers, \$4 per day; teams, \$5.25 per day.”

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

1. Is the United States Inter-Insurance Association authorized to transact business in British Columbia?
2. What assets has above company in this Province?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. The company has deposited with Provincial Treasury bonds totalling \$15,000."

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

1. Is it the intention to replace the Burns Lake trestle, Omineca District?
2. What have been the preliminary expenses in connection therewith, and what is the estimated construction cost, inclusive of incidental engineering?
3. Have any contracts been let in connection with this work?
4. If so, were tenders invited, what bids were received, and what action was taken thereupon?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No preliminary expenses. The estimated cost to complete, including engineering, is \$10,000.
- "3. No.
- "4. Answered by No. 3."

Mr. *W. A. McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Was one Luke Fowler charged at Hazelton or Smithers with illegally selling a skin or skins?
2. If so, what was the species of animal whose skin was alleged to have been sold?
3. If so, what was the decision of the Magistrate?
4. Was an appeal taken? If yes, at whose instance?
5. If appeal was taken, what was the result; and if fined, how much?
6. What was the value placed on the skin?

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

- "1. Yes; at Hazelton.
- "2. Mountain-goat.
- "3. Charge dismissed.
- "4. Yes. Provincial Game Warden.
- "5. Appeal allowed; accused convicted and fine of \$10 imposed.
- "6. Accused sold the skin for \$2; this may or may not be commercial value of the skin."

Mr. *W. A. McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Is Dodd, the Liquor Vendor at Telegraph Creek, also Government Agent, Stipendiary Magistrate, Gold Commissioner, Mining Recorder, and Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages?
2. Is the Liquor Store located in the Government building at Telegraph Creek?
3. What was the population of Telegraph Creek, according to the last census, of whites, Indians, Chinese, and number of each?
4. Is there a constable at Telegraph Creek? If so, what is his name?
5. What were the number of fines and convictions, the total amount of each, and the money collected?
6. How many prosecutions for infractions of the "Government Liquor Act" were there in Telegraph Creek in the years 1925, 1926, 1927, and what was the nature thereof?
7. How many were convicted and how many were dismissed?
8. Were there any prosecutions for selling liquor? If so, how many; and what was the total amount of said fines?
9. How many were sent to gaol?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Yes.

“3. No information.

“4. Yes; Constable G. E. Ashton.

“5. Year 1927: Eight convictions; \$410 fines.

“6. 1925: One case; charge, possession of unsealed liquor; convicted. 1926: Five cases; charge, drunk in a public place; convictions, 5. 1927: Three cases; charge, permitting drunkenness, 1; drunk in public place, 2; convictions, 3.

“7. Answered by No. 6.

“8. No.

“9. None.”

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

1. What is the name of the Official Administrator for the County of Vancouver? Where is his office?

2. Does he receive a salary or does he work on a commission basis?

3. If on a commission basis, what is the arrangement?

4. What commission has he received each year since he took over the office?

5. Does the Official Administrator come under the “Civil Service Act”?

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

“1. W. H. MacInnes; Vancouver.

“2. Commission, out of which he maintains his own office and staff.

“3. 5 per cent. on personalty; 1 per cent. on real estate sold through agents.

“4. 1926, seven months, \$4,876.04; 1927, \$10,233.54.

“5. No.”

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7th, 1928.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘United Church of Canada Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Counties Definition Act’” was committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Forest Act’” was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Village Municipalities Act’” was committed. Progress reported. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, Report No. 9 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Relief of The Corporation of the District of Coquitlam" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to provide Relief for the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District."

Bill read a second time and committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

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

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, Report No. 8 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

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

What amount of money has been expended on the Great Valley Road, Omineca District, each year since 1916?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1917-18, \$154.50; 1918-19, \$692.59; 1919-20, \$510.85; 1920-21, \$1,214.02; 1921-22, *nil*; 1922-23, \$491.61; 1923-24, \$424.63; 1924-25, *nil*; 1925-26, \$559.57; 1926-27, \$11.62; 1927-28, \$802.97."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.15 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Thursday, March 8th, 1928.

QUARTER-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Annual Report of the Mental Hospitals for the Year ended March 31st, 1927.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,846 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Protection, to 31st March, 1929.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,330 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1929.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,160 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1929.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Exhibits to Toronto Winter Fair, etc., to 31st March, 1929.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$566,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, The University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1929.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,220 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1929.

104A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Publicity, to 31st March, 1929.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,397,455 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1929.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Repairs, etc., to Government Buildings throughout the Province (excepting Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1929.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1929.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,618,881.11 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1929.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Redemption of Debentures, to 31st March, 1929.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$907,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—Interest on Guaranteed Bonds due July 15th, 1928, and January 15th, 1929, to 31st March, 1929.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, British Columbia House, London, England—Instalment on mortgage, to 31st March, 1929.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Songhees Reserve (improvements), to 31st March, 1929.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Buildings generally, to 31st March, 1929.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1928.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, to 31st March, 1928.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1928.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1928.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1928.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Tobacco Industry, to 31st March, 1928.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular Cattle, to 31st March, 1928.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Motor-vehicle Act," to 31st March, 1928.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1928.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, to 31st March, 1928.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, to 31st March, 1928.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools, to 31st March, 1928.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, to 31st March, 1928.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1928.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1928.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, to 31st March, 1928.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Local Improvement Taxes, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1928.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$560.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, City of Trail, to 31st March, 1928.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1928.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Libraries Act," to 31st March, 1928.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1928.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Infants Act," to 31st March, 1928.

172 (c). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In Aid of Destitute Poor and Sick, to 31st March, 1928.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies and Incidentals, to 31st March, 1928.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1928.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House and Grounds, to 31st March, 1928.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Ferries, to 31st March, 1928.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Cariboo Highway, to 31st March, 1928.

195A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119.16 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, To provide 60 per cent. (Saanich Municipality's share) of cost of maintenance of that portion of West Saanich Road running through Indian Reserve, to 31st March, 1928.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1928.

205A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1928.

211. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditure, Provincial Home for Incurables, to 31st March, 1928.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$116,790.74 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1927, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* 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 'Municipal Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 8th, 1928.

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. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal 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.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Town Planning Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

1. How many official reporters are retained by the Department, giving their names, nationality, dates of appointment, and salary?
2. How many deputy official reporters are employed? What remuneration do they receive? In what manner is their work distributed? How are they appointed?
3. Are permanent quarters provided for the official reporter in Vancouver?
4. Are permanent quarters provided for the deputy official reporters in Vancouver, or do they pay rent to the Department?
5. Are permanent quarters provided for the official reporter in Victoria?
6. Are permanent quarters provided for deputy official reporters in Victoria, or do they pay rent to the Department?
7. Does the Department provide to interested parties copies of depositions of witnesses taken in the Police Courts; and, if so, at what rate and under what authority?
8. Does the Department sometimes provide free copies of such depositions?
9. Has the Department received complaints from official reporters that they object to other than certified copies of such depositions being handed out by the Department, and also object to being deprived of lawful earnings, due to the action of the Department in supplying uncertified copies of such depositions, filed with the Registrar, for the purpose of record?
10. What is the total amount paid to official and deputy official reporters for reporting Court proceedings for the last fiscal year, separating Vancouver, Victoria, and New Westminster, and giving total?
11. What are the duties of the official reporter in Vancouver? Does he do actual reporting or is he merely a director?
12. What commission (if any) is deducted from the earnings of deputy official reporters, and are these deputies paid regularly?
13. What duties does the office of official reporter in Victoria embrace? Is this official required to cover Court of Appeal, Supreme Court, and County Court, as well as examinations for discovery?
14. Is the official reporter at Victoria obliged to pay deputies out of his own pocket for attendances at Court when the said official reporter happens to be employed in another Court?

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

"1. Three, as follows: Justin Gilbert, Victoria; nationality, British; date of appointment, June 1892; salary, \$112 per month. P. J. MacKay, Vancouver; nationality, British; date of appointment, August 16th, 1917; salary, \$112 per month. Vincent C. Webb, New Westminster; nationality, British; date of appointment, November 1st, 1922; salary \$25 per month (special arrangement *re* Assize work, New Westminster).

"2. Victoria, 3; Vancouver, 7. Remuneration, \$7.50 per day and fees for transcripts. Deputy reporters appointed by official stenographers and paid by them. Work distributed to provide prompt service in the Courts.

"3. Yes.

" 4. Same quarters as official stenographer.

" 5. Yes.

" 6. Permanent quarters not provided. No rent paid to Department.

" 7. Under section 691 of Criminal Code copies of depositions are provided to accused persons or their counsel upon demand; no rate charged, upon a ruling of Hon. W. J. Bowser when Attorney-General and since continued.

" 8. Answered by No. 7.

" 9. No; but request has been made by two Police Court reporters, Victoria, that they be allowed to provide copies of depositions and charge therefor. This could not be entertained by reason of sections 691 and 695 of Criminal Code.

" 10. See Public Accounts, fiscal year 1926-27.

" 11. Duties of official stenographers governed by the 'Court of Appeal Act,' 'County Courts Act,' and the 'Supreme Court Act.' The official stenographer at Vancouver is responsible for the work and organizes it to the best advantage.

" 12. No information.

" 13. See 'Court of Appeal Act,' 'Supreme Court Act,' and 'County Courts Act.'

" 14. No."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.33 p.m.

Thursday, March 8th, 1928.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to include the Inhabitants of The Corporation of The District of South Vancouver and the Corporation of Point Grey, and the Respective Areas thereof, within the City of Vancouver" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Woodmen's Lien for Wages Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Live Stock and Live-stock Products Act (British Columbia)'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Relief of The Corporation of the District of Coquitlam" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Abbotsford School District Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'United Church of Canada Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Town Planning Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to provide Relief for the Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Aid Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was read a third time and passed.

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

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Counties Definition Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to perpetuate certain Building Restrictions in certain Portions of District Lot 550, in the City of North Vancouver, which front on Grand Boulevard in said City" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Annual Report of the Forest Branch for the Year ended December 31st, 1927.

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

1. What amount of money was spent by the Government on (a) roads and (b) bridges in the Mara District, the boundaries defined as follows: "Commencing at the point where the southern boundary-line of Section 32, Township 19, Range 8, Kamloops Division of Yale District, intersects the right bank of the Shuswap River; thence due east to the south-east corner of Section 34 of the said township; thence due north to the middle point of the eastern boundary-line of Section 27, Township 20, Range 8; thence due west to the middle point of Section 25, Township 20, Range 9; thence due south to the southern boundary-line of said township; thence due east to the right bank of the Shuswap River (crossing said river once only); thence following said bank to the point of commencement." dated from December 1st, 1926, to December 1st, 1927?

2. Give names of all employees, together with dates and amounts paid to each?

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.15 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.12 p.m.