

Monday, 16th May, 1898.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

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

THOS. R. McINNES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Aid Act, 1894,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
5th May, 1898.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Aid Act, 1894.'"

Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.
Report adopted.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
To be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved into Committee of Supply, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

9. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$60 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary's Department, to 30th June, 1899.

14. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$456 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Lands and Works Department, to 30th June, 1899.

16. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Offices, New Westminster and Vancouver, to 30th June, 1899.

17. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Revenue Services, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1899.

22. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts, Chilliwack, to 30th June, 1899.

28. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, New Westminster Agency, to 30th June, 1899.

31. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$792 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1899.

32. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$48 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Nelson Gaol, to 30th June, 1899.

33. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding \$136 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1899.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$96 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Yale and Ashcroft, to 30th June, 1899.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$132 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Kamloops Agency, to 30th June, 1899.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Okanagan Agency, to 30th June, 1899.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Nanaimo Agency, to 30th June, 1899.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$228 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Administrative Staff, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1899.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Indemnity to Members (5 additional @ \$600 each), sessional, to 30th June, 1899.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Mileage (5 additional Members), to 30th June, 1899.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Printing Office, Victoria, to 30th June, 1899.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Hospital for the Insane, to 30th June, 1899.

67A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Fairview, to 30th June, 1899.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of destitute poor and sick (additional to \$6,000 voted), to 30th June, 1899.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$590 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, South Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1899.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Westminster District, to 30th June, 1899.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Yale District, to 30th June, 1899.

139A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Court House, Vancouver, furniture and improving grounds, to 30th June, 1899.

139B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Court House, Victoria, fire-proof room for Land Registry Office, to 30th June, 1899.

139C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Gaol, Vernon, construction and furniture, including site, to 30th June, 1899.

152A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Recorder's Office, New Denver, vault, to 30th June, 1899.

152B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Recorder's Office, Comaplix, Lardeau, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

152C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Recorder's Office and Lock-up, Stickine River, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

152D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Recorder's Office and Lock-up, Teslin Lake, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

170A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Nelson, addition to building, to 30th June, 1899.

176A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Wardner, East Kootenay, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Alexandria, South Nanaimo, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Union Wharf, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Quatsino, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176E. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Lumby, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Okanagan Falls, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176G. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Mara, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176H. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Trout Lake, construction and furniture, to 30th June, 1899.

176I. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Kaslo, improving grounds, etc., to 30th June, 1899.

176J. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Public School, Nanaimo City, grant to Municipality, to 30th June, 1899.

245A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Tippella to Fire Mountain Mines (additional to \$1,500 voted), to 30th June, 1899.

245B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Forks of Quesnelle to Quesnelle Lake (refund of part cost), to 30th June, 1899.

245D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, New Denver to Three Forks, to 30th June, 1899.

245E. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Albert Canyon to Downie Creek Mines, to 30th June, 1899.

245F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Revelstoke to Canyon of Columbia River, to 30th June, 1899.

245G. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, 150-Mile House to Forks of Quesnelle, to 30th June, 1899.

245H. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Collins' to Beaver Lake, to 30th June, 1899.

245I. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Four-Mile Creek to Cottonwood River (refund of part cost), to 30th June, 1899.

245J. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, South Fork Lake to Black Bear Creek, to 30th June, 1899.

245K. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Payne Mine, Slocan (refund of part cost), to 30th June, 1899.

253A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Trail, West Coast, Vancouver Island, to 30th June, 1899.

260A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge at mouth of Keithley Creek, to 30th June, 1899.

260B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Centre Trunk Road, Maple Ridge, to 30th June, 1899.

269A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Herriot Bay, Valdez Island, to 30th June, 1899.

269B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Read Island, to 30th June, 1899.

278A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Ferry at Chimney Creek (installing cable), to 30th June, 1899.

302. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Revelstoke (additional to \$200 voted), to 30th June, 1899.

309A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Sandon, to 30th June, 1899.

309B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Grand Forks, to 30th June, 1899.

309C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Lillooet, to 30th June, 1899.

309D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Ashcroft, to 30th June, 1899.

324. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Board of Horticulture, travelling expenses, etc. (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1899.

319. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society of British Columbia, in aid of an exhibition (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1899.

331A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Aid towards purchase of site for Drill Hall, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1899.

331B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,357.20 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, compensation to workmen employed in saw-mills, in consequence of failure of owners, the property held to be liable to the Government as a first charge for royalty due on the lumber, viz.: Sayward Mill Timber and Trading Company, \$1,417.36; Leamy & Kyle, \$1,939.84, to 30th June, 1899.

The Chairman reported the Resolutions passed and asked leave to sit again.

Report to be received to-morrow.

Committee to sit again this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

House again in Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

331C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Commission to report on financial difficulties of agriculturists, irrigation, etc., to 30th June, 1899.

331D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, assistance to owners of cattle for losses sustained by tuberculosis, to 30th June, 1899.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt, Interest, to 30th June 1898.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$635.40 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary's Department, to 30th June, 1898.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Finance Department, to 30th June, 1898.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Lands and Works Department, to 30th June, 1898.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$710 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Offices, Victoria, to 30th June, 1898.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Revenue Service, to 30th June, 1898.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$810.50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Timber Inspectors, to 30th June, 1898.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,584 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Bureau of Mines, to 30th June, 1898.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Temporary Assistance, to 30th June, 1898.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$756 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts, to 30th June, 1898.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Stipendiary Magistrates, to 30th June, 1898.

25A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$455 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Juvenile Reformatory, to 30th June, 1898.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,354 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, East Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1898.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,270.70 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1898.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$627.50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1898.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,441 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1898.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,665 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1898.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$851.50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Osoyoos, to 30th June, 1898.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1898.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Sergeant-at-Arms and Messengers (additional to \$775 voted), extra Messengers, to 30th June, 1898.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Registration of Voters and Revision of Voters' Lists (additional to \$200 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Contingent Fund (additional to \$2,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Journals and Statutes Binding (additional to \$1,000 voted), \$600; binding Revised Statutes \$4,180, to 30th June, 1898.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Printing Office, Victoria, to 30th June, 1898.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Hospital for the Insane, to 30th June, 1898.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, In aid of Destitute Poor and Sick (additional to \$4,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

72d. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, In aid of Resident Physician, Fort Steele, 6 months, to 31st December, 1897.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Special Constables (additional to \$9,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Transport of Constables and Prisoners (additional to \$18,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Education Office (additional to \$2,700 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$594 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Victoria City District, to 30th June, 1898.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,828 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Vancouver City District, to 30th June, 1898.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$440 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, North Victoria District, to 30th June, 1898.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$730 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Comox District, to 30th June, 1898.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Westminster District, to 30th June, 1898.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,111 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Yale District, to 30th June, 1898.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,234.40 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1898.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, East Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1898.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Victoria (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, South Riding, West Kootenay District (additional to \$200 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Provincial Home, Kamloops, sundry requirements (additional to \$200 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Hospital for the Insane (additional to \$20,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Furniture for Government Offices (additional to \$2,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Improvement of Government Reserves (additional to \$2,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Vernon, vault and repairs (additional to \$500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol at Kamloops, construction (additional to \$12,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol at Nelson, construction (additional to \$10,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

135A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$190 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Recorder's Office, Trout Lake, construction (additional to \$800 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

135B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Revelstoke (additional to \$5,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

135C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$236 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1898.

135D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Office and Lock-up, Lake Bennett, to 30th June, 1898.

135E. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Mission Creek Dam, East Riding, Yale District, to 30th June, 1898.

135F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Dredging and Dyking Plant, to 30th June, 1898.

135G. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Protection Works, Columbia River, near Revelstoke, including Engineer's salary, to 30th June, 1898.

135H. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Protection to Town of Golden from inundation by flooding of Kicking Horse River, to 30th June, 1898.

135I. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Removal of log-jams, Bella Coola River, to 30th June, 1898.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Rossland, construction and furniture (additional to \$4,000 voted, \$6,000; purchase of site, \$3,800), to 30th June, 1898.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$316 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Trail, construction and furniture (additional to \$2,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$513 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Kaslo, construction and furniture (additional to \$4,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$244 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Clinton, construction and furniture (additional to \$1,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$675 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Steveston, purchase of site \$375, draining \$300 (additional to \$600 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$210 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Nelson (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Maple Ridge (additional to \$500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

153A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Ainsworth (construction and furniture, \$1,200; purchase of site, \$400), to 30th June, 1898.

153B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$653 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Donald (addition), to 30th June, 1898.

153C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Sandon (purchase of site), to 30th June, 1898.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public Schools throughout the Province, repairs, etc. (additional to \$4,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

154A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$105,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, completion of building and furniture, to 30th June, 1898.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Government House, repairs to building (additional to \$500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House), furniture (additional to \$300 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), South Victoria District (additional to \$9,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Esquimalt District (additional to \$8,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Westminster District (not in Municipalities), (additional to \$30,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Yale District, North Riding (additional to \$10,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Yale District, East Riding (additional to \$18,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Yale District, West Riding (additional to \$7,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Lillooet District, East Riding (additional to \$3,800 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Lillooet District, West Riding (additional to \$7,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), East Kootenay District (additional to \$15,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), West Kootenay District, North Riding (additional to \$20,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Victoria-Nanaimo Trunk Road (additional to \$2,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Nanaimo-Comox Trunk Road (additional to \$8,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, China Creek Mines, Alberni District (additional to \$3,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Popcum to Chilliwack (additional to \$1,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Granite Creek to Princeton (additional to \$3,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Bella Coola Colony (additional to \$2,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Kicking Horse River, Golden (additional to \$2,250 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

218c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge at Penticton, to 30th June, 1898.

218D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Elk River, East Kootenay, to 30th June, 1898.

218E. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Downie Creek, West Kootenay, to 30th June, 1898.

204B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road, Fisherman's Cove to Lagoon, Cape Scott, Danish Colony, to 30th June, 1898.

207A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Trail, Telegraph Creek to Teslin Lake (additional to \$2,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

207B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Trail, Quesnelle to Hazelton and Telegraph Creek, to 30th June, 1898.

207C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Trail, Quesnelle to Omineca (repairs), to 30th June, 1898.

207D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Trail, Bella Coola to Chilcotin (cutting out), to 30th June, 1898.

232A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,116 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Soda Creek Ferry (installing cable), to 30th June, 1898.

233. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Surveys throughout the Province (additional to \$15,000 voted), \$2,500; professional services of the late L. B. Hamlin, C. E., for explorations in the Yukon, including grant to Mrs. Hamlin, \$2,500, to 30th June, 1898.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Stationery (additional to \$13,500), to 30th June, 1898.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Postage and Expressage (additional to \$6,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Telegrams (additional to \$2,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fuel and Light (additional to \$6,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Legislative, \$900; indexing, \$400 (additional to \$1,300 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Departmental (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

241. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Refunds (additional to \$3,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Agricultural Societies (additional to \$3,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Telephone Service (additional to \$1,800 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

266. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Destruction of Wolves, Panthers, and Coyotes (additional to \$3,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

269. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Board of Examiners, "Land Surveyors Act" (additional to \$250 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

272A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Superannuation, monthly allowance to T. H. Giffin, late Registrar Supreme Court, Nelson, 1st September, 1897, to 30th June, 1898, @ \$35.

272b. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Superannuation, monthly allowance to J. D. Campbell, late Constable, from 1st November, 1897, to 30th June, 1898, @ \$30.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Provincial Board of Health (including salaries), Act 1893 (additional to \$7,500 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

279d. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Copying Records for Registry Office, Nelson, West Kootenay (approximate), to 30th June, 1898.

279e. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,128 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Refund of Taxes to Municipalities incorporated under "Speedy Incorporation of Towns Act," namely, Rossland, Nelson, Grand Forks, and Greenwood, to 30th June, 1898.

279f. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Gratuity to the widow of the late T. E. Kitchen, to 30th June, 1898.

279g. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Gratuity to the widow of the late E. Truran (additional to \$240 paid in 1889), to 30th June, 1898.

279h. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Gratuity to the widow of the late W. S. Wiffen, Clerk in the Registry Office, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1898.

279i. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Petition of Right, Koksilah Quarry Co. v. The Queen, balance of cost incident to suit, \$1,450; in settlement of claim, \$12,000, to 30th June, 1898.

279j. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,065 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Revision of Statutes, Commissioner (additional to \$7,500 voted in 1895, and \$11,000 voted in 1896), \$6,500; clerical assistance (additional to \$2,500 voted in 1896), \$2,165; two Revising Commissioners (additional to \$4,000 voted in 1897), \$400, to 30th June, 1898.

279k. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Purchase of the Year Book of British Columbia, 500 copies, \$1,000; and 5,000 copies of Digest, \$1,750, to 30th June, 1898.

279l. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, In aid of Farmers' Institutes, to 30th June, 1898.

280. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Miscellaneous not detailed (additional to \$10,000 voted), to 30th June, 1898.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$199.21 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Agent-General, London, rent and office contingencies, additional allowance for 6 months ending 31st December, 1897, £41 *ls. 6d.*, to 30th June, 1898.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, that a sum not exceeding \$44,248.25 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the Public Service for the year ended 30th June, 1897, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

The Chairman reported the Resolutions and asked leave to sit again.

Report to be received to-morrow.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, P. M.

Tuesday, 17th May, 1898.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

Mr. *Macpherson* asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. What sums have been collected in *East Kootenay* on cordwood in 1896 and 1897?

2. What has been paid on cordwood in 1896 and 1897 by the *Upper Columbia and Kootenay Navigation Company*?

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

“1. Nil.

“2. Nothing. The Upper Columbia and Kootenay Navigation Company dispute their liability to pay royalty on any wood they have used.”

Mr. *Kellie* asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. Why have the Crown grants for the surface rights not been issued to the “Alice,” “Golden Chariot” and “Great Western” Mineral Claims, situated at *Rosland*?

2. Is it the intention of the Government to issue Crown grants?

3. If not, why not?

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

“1, 2 & 3. The issue of Crown grants to the surface of the claims mentioned has been delayed to afford an opportunity for a thorough investigation of the titles. The action of the Government will depend on the result of the investigation.”

Pursuant to Order, the Resolutions 9, 14, 16, 17, 22, 28, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 40, 44, 46, 47, 52, 55, 67A, 83, 104, 106, 107, 139A, 139B, 139C, 152A, 152B, 152C, 152D, 170A, 176A, 176B, 176C, 176D, 176E, 176F, 176G, 176H, 176I, 176J, 245A, 245B, 245D, 245E, 245F, 245G, 245H, 245I, 245J, 245K, 253A, 260A, 260B, 269A, 269B, 278A, 302, 309A, 309B, 309C, 309D, 324, 319, 331A, 331B, 331C, 331D, for the year ending 30th June, 1899; the Resolutions 1, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25A, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 34, 39, 40, 43, 45, 46, 47, 50, 63, 72D, 80, 81, 83, 84, 85, 88, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 106, 116, 119, 120, 121, 122, 124, 125, 126, 135A, 135B, 135C, 135D, 135E, 135F, 135G, 135H, 135I, 136, 137, 138, 142, 146, 149, 153, 153A, 153B, 153C, 154, 154A, 155, 156, 164, 165, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 178, 179, 182, 184, 189, 190, 196, 199, 213, 218C, 218D, 218E, 204B, 207A, 207B, 207C, 207D, 232A, 233, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 259, 263, 266, 269, 272A, 272B, 277, 279D, 279E, 279F, 279G, 279H, 279I, 279J, 279K, 279L, 280, 281, and Schedule A, for the year ending 30th June, 1898, reported from Committee of Supply on the 16th instant, were received and read a first time.

Resolutions read a second time and taken as read.

Resolutions read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Hon. Colonel *Baker*, it was Resolved,—

That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The House then went into the said Committee, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the following sums be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of British Columbia:—

\$ 44,248.25 for the financial year ending 30th June, 1897.

404,702.81 for the financial year ending 30th June, 1898.

2,094,648.75 for the financial year ending 30th June, 1899.

\$2,543,599.81

The Chairman reported the Resolution.
Report received and adopted.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* presented Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

Ordered, That the Bill be forthwith referred to a Committee of the Whole.

The Bill was then committed, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia" be reported to the House.

The Chairman reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill read a first and second time.

To be committed this evening.

The Report on Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897,'" was considered.

Major *Mutter* moved—To add the following after the word "implied," at the end of subsection (3), section 3 :—

"Provided further, that where any moneys have been borrowed by the directors of any company, and have been used for the purposes of such company, they shall be chargeable against the assets of such company if such act of borrowing shall be ratified at a special meeting of the shareholders of such company to be held for this purpose within twelve months from the date upon which such money was borrowed, such ratification to be approved by the holders of two-thirds of the total stock issued of such company."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Eberts* moved—To strike out all the words in lines 9, 10 and 11 of section 7, and substitute the following words :—

"yet that, either owing to the small quantity of the stock of the company held in the Province, and to the fact that the company does not propose to place any of the stock upon the market in the Province, or to the fact that the consent of the holders of stock within the Province has been obtained, the preponderance of convenience is in favour of exempting the company from empowering their attorney in the manner specified."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Eberts* moved to insert as a new section :—

"Sections 153 and 154 are hereby repealed."

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned until this evening.

The Hon. Mr. *Martin* presented a Return showing :—

(a.) The amounts paid to *J. C. Callbreath*, or others, by the Provincial Government, during 1897, on account of opening up the trail from *Stickine River* to *Teslin Lake*.

(b.) Copy of instructions given to Mr. *Callbreath*.

(c.) Number of men employed by him.

(d.) Date of starting work ; the time occupied in reaching *Teslin Lake* and returning to *Telegraph Creek*, and the number of the party who returned to *Telegraph Creek*.

(e.) Any report the Government may have received on the work done.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act,'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Trades and Agriculture by the establishment of Mutual Credit Associations" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia" was committed, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again this evening.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting the voluntary Winding up of Joint Stock Companies" was committed, with Mr. *Huff* in the Chair.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Aid Act, 1894,'" was read a second time and committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Mr. *Macpherson* asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. How many applications to purchase land (stating acreage applied for by each) have been made, giving names of applicants, at the various places mentioned:—

(a.) At the head of *Kitimaat Inlet*?

(b.) At the head of *Alice Arm*?

(c.) On *Stickine River*?

(d.) On *Teslin Lake*?

2. The names of those the Department has received the 25% deposit from?

3. The names of those the Department has refused the 25% deposit from?

4. Have any and what surveys been sent in to the Department?

5. Have any of the surveys been accepted; if so, which?

6. Have any deeds been issued in any of the various places?

7. If so, to whom?

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

"1. (a.)—HEAD OF KITIMAAT INLET.

*D. A. Robertson, L. M. Clifford, and John Irving	160 acres.
*Charles Todd, E. Donahue, and E. C. Stevens	160 "
*J. A. Carthew	160 "
*D. D. Mann	160 "
*G. Hunter	160 "
*A. K. Munro	160 "
*G. A. Kirk	160 "
Geo. Robinson	160 "
W. Anderson, S. G. Holt, G. Robinson, and N. C. Aveling	640 "
W. McKenzie	160 "
Jas. S. Murray	160 "
J. W. Patterson, C. R. Hosmer, C. W. Purdy, and W. F. Madden	640 "
Hugh Sutherland	160 "

“(b.)—HEAD OF ALICE ARM.

*George Cunningham	160 acres.
*John Cunningham	160 "
*R. G. Cunningham	160 "
*R. Cunningham	160 "
*Robert Chambers	160 "
*John Piercy	160 "
*R. P. Rithet	160 "
*A. G. Harris	160 "
*Samuel Jackson	160 "
*D. L. Morrison	160 "
*W. F. Noel	160 "
*W. E. Collinson and A. C. Murray	160 "

“(c.)—STICKINE RIVER AND VICINITY.

*J. S. Bowker, Sr.	320 acres.
*R. Hyland, Jr.	320 "
J. S. Bowker, Jr.	320 "
*A. B. Cotton	320 "
H. Cohen	640 "
R. Hyland, Sr.	160 "
F. M. Yorke and J. F. Callbreath	320 "
A. Hamfield	640 "
W. Pike	640 "
A. G. Strickland	160 "
H. Lee	160 "
G. A. Pritchard, J. F. Callbreath, F. M. Yorke, and F. G. Strickland	150 "

“(d.)—TESLIN LAKE.

A. Boyd	640 cres.
Jas. A. Grant	320 "
J. F. Callbreath	160 "
Geo. Byrnes	640 "
James Dunsmuir	160 "
"	160 "
John Hyland	320 "
F. M. York	40 "
"	80 "
C. E. Thomas	160 "

“2. The deposits of 25 % of the purchase money have been tendered by all of the applicants; those brought to account are indicated by an asterisk.

“3. No deposits have been refused; but only those as indicated in the answer to question 2 have been brought to account pending the cancellation of the reserves.

“4 and 5. Field notes and plans of survey of lands at Kitimaat Inlet made for Messrs. D. A. Robertson, L. M. Clifford, John Irving, Charles Todd, E. Donahue and E. C. Stevens have been received, but not yet accepted by the Department.

“6 and 7. No Crown grants have been issued.”

And then the House adjourned at 10:30 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 18th May, 1898.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

Mr. *Kidd* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hume*,—

Whereas the Hon. Attorney-General has stated, in an answer to a question, that no royalty is collected on cordwood cut on land granted previous to 17th April, 1896; and

Whereas the timber agents have collected royalty on cordwood cut on such lands:

Be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion the law should be observed, by the Timber Inspector and his agents discontinuing to collect such royalty.

Withdrawn, with leave.

Mr. *Helmcken* moved, seconded by Mr. *Braden*,—

That, in the opinion of this House, preference should be given to those who have been born in this Province, in filling appointments to the Civil Service of British Columbia.

Mr. *Forster* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Kennedy*,—

To insert between the word "House" and the word "preference" the words "where qualifications are equal."

After some debate, the motion and amendment were withdrawn, with leave.

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

(a.) Is the item "Government of the State of Washington, \$1,128.62" (see page 7, Public Accounts, 1897) a bad debt, and not admitted by the Government of the State of Washington? If admitted, why is the amount not collected?

(b.) Is the item "Dominion Government, paid engineers by Province, \$8,002.50," and due by the Dominion Government (see page 7, Public Accounts, 1897), a bad debt, and not admitted by the Dominion Government? If admitted, why is it not collected?

(c.) Is the item "Island Mountain Quartz Mining Co., \$22,973.44" (see page 7, Public Accounts, 1897) a bad debt? If not, why is it not collected?

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

"(a.) Payment of this claim has been refused by the Government of the State of Washington, but an Order in Council of the Provincial Government was recently transmitted, through the Secretary of State, submitting the claim to the Government of the United States, and another application has been made for payment of the claim.

"(b.) This sum has been claimed from the Dominion Government, but disallowed by the Minister of Justice. The Province, however, has not agreed to accept the disallowance. It is, therefore, not yet considered a bad debt.

"(c.) Under section 8 of the 'Act to aid the Development of Quartz Mines,' the Government has a claim on the property of the Island Mountain Quartz Mining Company, but has not deemed it advisable to enforce the sale until such time as the developments in the district may warrant the expediency of such a course, in order to more fully realize the amount advanced. The value of the claim depends entirely on the net proceeds of the sale."

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

Is sub-section (163) of section 50 of the "Municipal Clauses Act" (commonly known as the curfew law), in its present shape, capable of being enforced?

If not, is it the intention of the Government to so amend the section as to render it operative?

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

"I know of no legal obstacle in the way of its enforcement."

The Report on Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act,'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered this evening.

The Report on Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Trades and Agriculture by the establishment of Mutual Credit Associations" was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* moved—That sub-section (a) of section 33 be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—

"(a.) The members of every Association formed under this Act may, by resolution of the Association, be required to furnish a full and correct statement of all their debts, both real and personal, to the managing committee of such Association."

Carried.

Mr. *Graham* moved—To add to section 33 the following as sub section (b):—

"(b.) All indebtedness against the real estate of the members of the Association must be paid off from the proceeds of the sale of debentures, and new deeds of hypothecation made out in favour of the bank and deposited with the Minister of Finance."

Negatived.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* moved—To strike out all the words after "Council," in the 11th line of section 40, and insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall have authority to deal with the issue of such debentures in such manner as the rules and regulations may direct."

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Williams* on 14th April, as follows:—

"That the Government, in granting the lands to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company, exceeded the powers conferred upon them by the 'Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Subsidy Act, 1892'"—

was resumed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

Debate resumed, and the question *Resolved* in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Sword,
Kennedy,
Hume,

Forster.
Macpherson,
Kidd,

Vedder,
Williams,
Semlin,

Cotton,
Graham,
Kellie—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Huff,
Smith,
Mutter,
Baker,

Turner,
Martin,
Adams,
Stoddart,

Walkem,
Pooley,
Eberts,
Bryden,

Rogers,
Hunter,
Braden,
McGregor—16.

The Report on Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was considered.

Mr. *Helmcken* moved—To add as a new section:—

"3. Any person over the age of 35 who, between the ages of 25 and 35 years, has served three or more years continuously as clerk in the office of a barrister or solicitor in the Province of British Columbia, not under articles, may, in the discretion of the Benchers, be articulated,

without being required to undergo the preliminary examination for admission to study; provided, however, that he pay the customary fee, and shall serve five years, in addition to the time already served, and shall pass the intermediate and final examinations before being eligible for call or admission as a barrister or solicitor."

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Order for the consideration of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act'" was discharged on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs.

<i>Huff,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Eberts,</i>
<i>Mutter,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Walkem,</i>	<i>Hunter—13.</i>
<i>Helmcken,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs.

<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>	<i>Vedder,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>
<i>Kennedy,</i>	<i>Macpherson,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Graham,</i>
<i>Huene,</i>	<i>Kidd,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Kellie—12.</i>

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act'" was committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts for the protection of certain Animals, Birds and Fishes," was read a second time and committed, with Mr. *Forster* in the Chair.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

THOS. R. McINNES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act,'" for the purpose of being amended by inserting in the fourth line in section 12, between the words "already" and "occupied," the word "lawfully."

Government House,
18th May, 1898.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act,'" and recommend that the same be amended in terms of said Message.

Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.
Report adopted.

Section 12 of the Bill was amended by inserting between the words "already" and "occupied" the word "lawfully."

Bill, as amended, read a third time and passed.

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

THOS. R. McINNES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tramway Incorporation Act,'" for the purpose of being amended by adding thereto, as section 8, the following words :—

"8. Nothing in the 'Tramway Incorporation Act' or in this Act contained shall be deemed to authorise the construction of any tramway in that portion of the Electoral District of Cassiar lying west of the 134th meridian of west longitude, and north of the 59th parallel, without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council being first obtained."

Government House,
18th May, 1898.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tramway Incorporation Act,'" and recommend that the same be amended in terms of the said message.

Mr. *Huff*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.
Report adopted.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tramway Company Incorporation Act'" was amended by adding the following as a new clause :—

"Nothing in the 'Tramway Incorporation Act' or in this Act contained shall be deemed to authorise the construction of any tramway in that portion of the Electoral District of Cassiar lying west of the 134th meridian of west longitude, and north of the 59th parallel, without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council being first obtained."

Bill, as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:45 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 19th May, 1898.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts for the protection of certain Animals, Birds and Fishes," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. *Eberts* presented the Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the year 1897.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to further amend the Act 44 Victoria, Chap. 19, and Acts amending the same," and on the point of order raised by Mr. *Sword*, that the Bill was not in order, as it was not competent for a Private Member to introduce a Public Bill to amend a Private Act, was resumed.

Mr. Speaker *Booth* gave the following ruling on the point of order raised:—

Objection was raised by the Member for Dewdney to the second reading of Bill No. 73, proposing to amend cap. 19 of 44 Vic., on the ground that it is not competent for a Private Member to propose an amendment to a Private Act.

The ostensible object of this Bill is to amend a Public Act passed for the purpose of restricting powers granted by a Private Act; and were this Bill confined to a modification of such restrictions, it might have been in order.

This Bill, however, instead of attempting to modify the restrictions imposed, appears to go beyond the Public Act, and proposes to place still greater restrictions on the powers given under the Private Act referred to.

This appears to me to be beyond the power of a Private Member of the House, as it cannot be contended that amending a Private Act in one particular by a Public Act opens the whole Act to review at any subsequent occasion.

I must, therefore, rule that this Bill is out of order.

J. P. BOOTH,
Speaker.

Mr. *Helmcken* appealed from the decision of the Chair, upon the following grounds:—

1. That the present Bill and the Act proposed to be amended are Public Acts.
2. That it has already been decided that the Act proposed to be amended is a Public Act, when objection was taken to its introduction by the Hon. the Attorney-General.
3. That the Act proposed to be amended and the Act of this Session, Bill No. 62, are both Public Bills, and were introduced, not as Government measures, but by members of the Executive in their private capacity.

The Chair was sustained.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered this evening.

Major *Mutter* presented the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
19th May, 1898.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the following Returns to the Order of the House were ordered to be printed, viz. :

On 29th April—

1. Papers *re* protest Provincial Government against lease to T. D. Jones—coal lease, Nanaimo.

2. Return, Mr. Tytler's report on dyking of flooded lands, Fraser River.

On 3rd May—

1. Return, papers, Charles Dundee.

2. Return, Cassiar Railway grant.

3. Return, Chinamen tenants of the Crown.

4. Return, Burnaby Small Holdings.

On 13th May—

1. Return *re* land sales and pre-emption lands to railways, subsidies, and railway indebtedness.

On 17th May—

1. Return *re* J. C. Callbreath and others, trail, Stickine to Teslin Lake.

2. Return, land granted to Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. MUTTER,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Hon. Mr. *Eberts* presented a Message from his Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

THOS. R. MCINNES,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Quesnelle Lake Dam Company Act,'" for the purpose of being amended by adding thereto, as section 3 the following words:—

"3. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or held to impair or affect the rights of free miners under section 5 of an Act passed in the 58th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled 'An Act to further amend the Act 44 Victoria, chap. 19.'"

Government House,
19th May, 1898.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Quesnelle Lake Dam Company Act,'" and recommend that the same be amended in terms of said Message.

Mr. *Huff*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.
Report adopted.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Quesnelle Lake Dam Company Act'" was then amended by adding thereto the following as a new clause:—

"3. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or held to impair or affect the rights of free miners under section 5 of an Act passed in the 58th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled 'An Act to further amend the Act 44 Victoria, chap. 19.'"

Bill, as amended, read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act'" was considered.

Mr. *Helmcken* moved to amend section 4 by striking out the word "preventing," on lines 3 and 5, and inserting the word "regulating" in lieu thereof, respectively.

Carried.

Mr. *Sword* moved to amend sub-section (a) of section 6 by inserting the words "by the municipality" after the word "purchased," on the 2nd line, and by striking out the same words on the 3rd line.

Carried.

Mr. *Sword* moved to insert the following as a new section:—

"Sub-section (b) of section 180 of said Act is hereby repealed, and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:—

"(b.) In Township or District Municipalities, of the Reeve, or in the event of his inability to be present, a Councillor appointed by the Reeve, two Councillors elected annually for that purpose by the Council, and two Justices of the Peace selected annually by the Municipal Council by resolution, having jurisdiction in the municipality; and the Reeve, or Councillor by him appointed, shall be ex-officio chairman of the Board, and any three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business."

Negatived.

Mr. *Kidd* moved—That section 20 be amended by striking out all the words after "within," in the sixth line, down to and including the word "licence," in the seventh line, and insert in lieu thereof the words "the municipality."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Kennedy,</i>	<i>Vedder,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Hunter—7.</i>
<i>Kidd,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Graham,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Huff,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Bryden,</i>
<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Mutter,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Eberts,</i>	<i>Braden—13.</i>
<i>Helmcken,</i>			

Mr. *Kidd* moved—That section 20 be amended by inserting between the words "miles" and "from," on the 6th line, the words "within the municipality."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Kidd,</i>	<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Graham,</i>
<i>Kennedy,</i>	<i>Vedder,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Hunter—8.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Huff,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Bryden,</i>
<i>Mutter,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Helmcken,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Eberts,</i>	<i>Braden—12.</i>

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2:30 o'clock, P. M., to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10:10 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 20th May, 1898.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

Mr. Kennedy asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. Have all contractors in connection with the construction of the new Parliament Buildings been settled with, and receipts in full been obtained from them by the Government? If not, what are the names of such contractors, and what amounts are claimed by each?

2. Were any payments made without the architect's certificate? If so, what were they?

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

"1. Yes; with the exception of *Muirhead & Mann*, *E. Spillman*, and *Albion Iron Works*. No specific sum is claimed by any of these contractors. The amounts due, if any, will be adjusted on the final certificate of the architect.

"Yes; in sums aggregating \$31,395, the architect being absent."

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair,

Mr. Fell, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

(No. 1) An Act to amend the "Execution Act."

(No. 3) An Act relating to the employment of Chinese or Japanese persons on Works carried on under Franchises granted by Private Acts.

(No. 4) An Act to Incorporate the Mountain Tramway and Electric Company.

(No. 5) An Act to Incorporate the Kitimat Railway Company, Limited.

(No. 7) An Act to Incorporate the Alice Arm Railway.

(No. 8) An Act to Incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company.

(No. 9) An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay and North-West Railway Company.

(No. 10) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886," and amendments thereto.

(No. 12) An Act to Incorporate the Revelstoke and Cassiar Railway Company.

(No. 13) An Act to Incorporate the Skeena River and Eastern Railway Company.

(No. 14) An Act to Incorporate the Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company.

(No. 15) An Act to Incorporate the East Kootenay Valley Railway Company.

(No. 16) An Act to Incorporate the North Star and Arrow Lake Railway Company.

(No. 17) An Act respecting the Nanaimo Electric Light, Power and Heating Company, Limited.

(No. 18) An Act respecting the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited.

(No. 19) An Act to Incorporate the British Columbia Great Gold Gravels Dredge Mining Corporation.

(No. 20) An Act to Incorporate the Skeena River Railway, Colonization and Exploration Company.

(No. 21) An Act to Incorporate the Downie Creek Railway Company.

(No. 22) An Act respecting the Legal Meaning of expressions relative to Time.

(No. 23) An Act respecting Escheats and Forfeitures.

(No. 24) An Act to amend the "Farmers' Institutes and Co-operation Act."

(No. 26) An Act to Incorporate the Canadian Yukon Railway Company.

(No. 28) An Act to Incorporate the Red Mountain Tunnel Company, Limited.

(No. 30) An Act to amend the "Master and Servant Act."

(No. 37) An Act to authorise the Cowichan Lumber Company, Limited, to construct a Dam and Works on the Cowichan River, in the Quamichan District, and also to construct a Tramway to connect the said Dam and Works with a point at or near the mouth of the Cowichan River.

(No. 39) An Act to Incorporate the Portland and Stickine Railway Company.

(No. 41) An Act to amend the "Tramway Company Incorporation Act."

- (No. 42) An Act to amend the "Provincial Elections Act."
 (No. 43) An Act to amend the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act."
 (No. 44) An Act to amend the "Mineral Act."
 (No. 45) An Act to amend the "Placer Mining Act."
 (No. 46) The Truck Act.
 (No. 48) An Act for the Redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and to amend the "Provincial Elections Act,"
 (No. 49) An Act for the encouragement of Trades and Agriculture by the establishment of Mutual Credit Associations.
 (No. 50) Act to amend the "Legal Professions Act."
 (No. 53) An Act to amend the "Dairy Associations Act."
 (No. 54) An Act respecting the construction of certain Dyking Works.
 (No. 55) An Act to incorporate Industrial Communities.
 (No. 56) An Act to amend the Law respecting the Marking of Cattle.
 (No. 57) An Act to define the boundaries of the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan.
 (No. 58) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Railway Act."
 (No. 59) An Act to amend the "Small Debts Act."
 (No. 61) An Act to confirm an Agreement between Her Majesty, in right of Her Province of British Columbia, and Frank Owen and William John Stokes, and to incorporate the Cariboo-Omineca Chartered Company.
 (No. 62) An Act to further amend the "Quesnelle Lake Dam Company Act."
 (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Speedy Incorporation of Towns Act."
 (No. 65) An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery.
 (No. 66) An Act to accelerate the Incorporation of the Town of Revelstoke.
 (No. 67) An Act to amend the "Jurors Act."
 (No. 68) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Public Works Loan Act, 1897."
 (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Investment and Loan Societies Act."
 (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Benevolent Societies Act."
 (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Land Registry Act."
 (No. 72) An Act respecting the Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company.
 (No. 74) An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts for the protection of certain Animals, Birds and Fishes.
 (No. 75) An Act respecting the voluntary Winding up of Joint Stock Companies.
 (No. 76) An Act to amend the "Companies Act, 1897."
 (No. 77) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
 (No. 78) An Act to amend the "Municipal Clauses Act."
 (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Fraser River Bridge Aid Act, 1894."

His Honour was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to give assent to these Bills.

The same was announced by the Clerk of the House, in the following words:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Then the Honourable Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance a Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It gives me much pleasure in recognising the great care and deliberation which you have shewn in discharging the onerous duties which have devolved upon you during the Session.

The liberal supplies which you have granted, especially for Public Works, cannot fail to advance the general prosperity of the country.

The Bill which you have passed for a loan, part of which shall be applied in granting subsidies to railways, will tend materially towards providing means of communication to those portions of the Province which shew indications of great natural wealth, especially in the Boundary Creek District.

I trust that the aid which you have given to a railway between a seaport and Teslin Lake will provide an all-Canadian route to the Yukon country, and thereby secure the trade of that wealthy district to British Columbia and other Canadian Provinces, while it will at the same time open up for development a rich portion of this Province.

I am pleased to observe that you have made provision for affording relief to the agricultural industries of the Province.

The measure which you have passed in direction of what is known as the Torrens Act will have an important influence in giving additional security to the title to real estate.

The Bill for extending the dyking of lands in the Fraser River Valley will, I trust, secure the properties concerned from the devastating effects of periodical floods.

The increase of representation in the Legislative Assembly which you have established is fully justified by the increase of population and development of our mining and other industries.

In liberating you from your duties, I desire to express my full appreciation of the laudable efforts you have made in the interests of the Province.

The Hon. Colonel *Baker*, Provincial Secretary, then said :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

J. P. BOOTH, *Speaker*.