# Friday, March 5th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. S. R. Dredge.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,054,208.57 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1944.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$33,975 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1944.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,845 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$58,119 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, Entomology, and Apiary Inspection, to 31st March, 1944.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$105,725 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$21,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crops and Seed Improvement Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,560 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1944.

12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,612 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1944.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, International, National, and Provincial Exhibits, to 31st March, 1944.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1944.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations and Fairs—Buildings, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1944.

17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Interior Provincial Fair Association, to 31st March, 1944.

18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Chilliwack Agricultural Association, to 31st March, 1944.

19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Kamloops Bull Sale, to 31st March, 1944.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1944.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1944.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rodent and Insect Pest Extermination,

to 31st March, 1944.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1944.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Investigations and Extension—Expenses, to 31st March, 1944.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$131,810 be granted to His Majesty to

defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1944.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Carson, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Anscomb, it was Resolved,—

Whereas disturbing reports have been circulated regarding the adequacy of raw materials for an iron and steel industry:

And whereas it is in the public interest that the facts be made known:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House instruct the Select Standing Committee on Mining and Railways to call before it the Deputy Minister of Mines and such other departmental officials as may be needed, and with them to go carefully into reports, records, and documents contained in the files of the Department of Mines regarding these raw materials and report its findings to the Legislature.

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

1. What was the cost of chains and accessories for Kootenay Lake ferry acquired under arrangement as given in answer by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, page 4, Votes and Proceedings, March 1st, to question asked by Mr. Herridge?

2. What amount of compensation was paid Vivian Engine Works, Ltd., for out-ofpocket expenses in connection with the arrangement as described in said answer to

Mr. Herridge?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:—

- "1. \$14.328.88.
- "2. \$11,273.93."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.13 p.m.

## Monday, March 8th, 1943.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. P. Hicks.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$31,762 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st

March, 1944.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,755 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Branch, to 31st

March, 1944

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,224 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1944.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,438 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pic-

tures, to 31st March, 1944.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,408 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1944.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,690 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 21st Moreh, 1944

to 31st March, 1944.

- 33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,392 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1944.
- 34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$131,924 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1944.
- 35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$71,005 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1944.

36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,003,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st

March, 1944.

- 37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$195,470 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1944.
- 38. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$217,735 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$106,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1944.
- 40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1944.
- 41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1944.

42. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of Predatory Animals and Birds (bounties, salaries, and expenses), to 31st March, 1944.

43. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1944.

44. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, After-care of Youthful Offenders

(salaries and expenses), to 31st March, 1944.

45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1944.

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

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Commission to control the Purchase of Supplies required in the Public Service of the Province," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 2nd, 1943.

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. 61) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Commission to control the Purchase of Supplies required in the Public Service of the Province," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision with reference to certain questions arising in debate and herein more particularly set out:—

VICTORIA, March 8th, 1943.

Honourable Members,—I have been requested by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition to give written reasons for my decision that members of a Select Committee may not, in the course of debate in the House, give in detail evidence taken before the Committee unless the evidence has been reported to the House or has been included in a report of the Committee presented to and received by the House.

It is stated in May, 13th ed., p. 486: "Until the report and evidence of a Select Committee have been laid upon the table it is irregular to refer to them in debate or

to put questions in reference to the proceedings of the Committee."

The following quotation is from *Bourinot*, 4th ed., p. 474: "It is, strictly speaking, a breach of privilege to publish the proceedings of a Committee before they are formally reported to the House. But, as a matter of fact, such publication is constantly made in the press without objection. If the evidence taken by a Committee has not been reported to the House, it may be ordered to be laid before it. As soon as the evidence is before the House it may be debated at length, but members will not be permitted to discuss the conduct or language of members on the Committee except so far as it appears on the record."

It follows from this that in order to enable the House to debate the evidence the Committee must present it to the House, either in the form of a report or of a transcript, if the evidence has been transcribed, or in the form of minutes of the evidence, if minutes have been kept. In any such case leave to present the report, transcript, or minutes must be obtained from the House.

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The object of the Legislature in referring a matter to a Committee is to obtain a report of the Committee, not of individual members of the Committee. See British Columbia Speakers' Decisions, Vol. 1, p. 51, where Mr. Speaker Pooley is reported to have said: "This House is asked to deal with a minority report of which it has no knowledge, it not having been presented by the Chairman of the Committee, and if this practice of presenting minority reports were allowed it would enable every member of a Committee to present his individual report and the object of the Legislature to obtain a report of the Committee would be defeated."

If each member of a Committee were permitted to give his own version of what had transpired it would lead to contradictory and futile discussion, and, in addition,

the public might very well receive wrong impressions.

My decision has reference only to the proceedings and evidence before a Committee. The mere fact that a certain matter has at some time or other been referred to a Committee for investigation does not preclude a debate in the House on that subject-matter after the Committee has reported and provided it is otherwise properly before the House for discussion.

N. W. WHITTAKER, Speaker.

Mr. H. E. Winch appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Question proposed—"Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

### YEAS—24.

## Messieurs

		Messieurs	
Love	Finland	Pattullo	Paton
Mowat	Putnam	$MacDonald, K.\ C.$	Carson, R. H.
MacDonald, R. C.	King	Hart	Gillis
Green	Hodges, Mrs.	Maitland	Rolston, Mrs.
LeBourdais	Leary	Bennett	Anscomb
Braden	Asselstine	Kenney	Carson, E. C.
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Stirling	Turner	Uphill	Steeves, Mrs.
Gargrave	MacInnis, Mrs.	Herridge	Lefeaux
Guthrie	Jamieson, Mrs.	Shepherd	Winch, H. E.
Webber	Winch, E. E.	MacNeil	Cameron

The Hon. Mr. Maitland presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mrs. MacInnis:—

- 1. What was the *per capita* consumption of beer in British Columbia in each of the following years: 1939, 1940, 1941, and 1942?
- 2. What was the total amount of beer sold in British Columbia in each of the above years?
- 3. What was the total value of beer sold in British Columbia in each of the above years?

The Hon. Mr. Maitland presented a Return in reply to the following question standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. E. E. Winch:—

Has any action been taken to improve gaol and police living-quarters during or since the year 1940?

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 5.45 p.m.

## Monday, March 8th, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 8th, 1943.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 8th, 1943.

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. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies 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.

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

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Cultus Lake Park Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Fifteen million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Post-war Rehabilitation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Cemeteries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Animals Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Credit Unions Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of Special Timber Licence No. 13300" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion that Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to permit Females over the Age of Eighteen Years to be employed in the Surface Operations of any Mine or Metallurgical Plant in British Columbia" be now read a second time, a debate arose.

The House divided.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

#### YEAS-25.

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Love	Putnam	Hart	Paton
Mowat	King	Maitland	Carson, R. H.
$MacDonald, R.\ C.$	Hodges, Mrs.	Pearson	Gillis
Straith	Leary	Bennett	Rolston, Mrs.
Green	Pattullo	Connelly	Anscomb
LeBourdais	$MacDonald, K.\ C.$	Kenney	Carson, E. C.
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#### Messieurs

Stirling	Turner	Uphill	Steeves, Mrs.
Gargrave	MacInnis, Mrs.	Herridge	Lefeaux
Guthrie	Jamieson, Mrs.	Shepherd	Winch, H. E.
Webber	Winch, E. E.	MacNeil	Cameron

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

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act.'

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to provide for the Settlement of Differences between the Dominion and the Province respecting Staking for Minerals on Indian Reserves in British Columbia."

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to exempt certain Free Miners from performing and recording Work on their Mining Property pursuant to the Mining Laws of the Province."

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act.'"

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

The Committee rose and reported progress.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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MARCH 9TH.

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 11.10 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 9th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. F. Comley.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,340 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

163. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

164. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$330,213 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1944.

165. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$188,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1944.

166. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$27,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1944.

167. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,144,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1944.

168. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Highways within Municipal Limits. to 31st March, 1944.

169. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1944.

170. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Highway Signs, to 31st March, 1944.

172. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,722 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1944.

173. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Dewdney Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1944.

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

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 5.43 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 9th, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

174. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department to 31st March, 1944.

118. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,980 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

119. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$21,860 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office—General Administration, to 31st March, 1944.

120. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$60,865 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

121. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

122. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$39,530 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1944.

123. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1944.

124. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1944.

125. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, to 31st March, 1944.

126. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy re Explosives to assist Bona-fide Mineral Prospectors, to 31st March, 1944.

127. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grub-staking and Aid to Prospectors, to 31st March, 1944.

128. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1944.

175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

176. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,514 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, General Office, to 31st March, 1944.

177. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$71,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, British Columbia Government Travel Bureau, to 31st March, 1944.

178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$41,595 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, to 31st March, 1944.

179. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$44,885 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Trade Extension, to 31st March, 1944.

129. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$24,470 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs to 31st March, 1944.

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

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, March 9th, 1943.

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. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act,' a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

## Wednesday, March 10th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. E. Bird.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act'" the Hon. Mr. *Perry* rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by the Hon. Mr. *Pearson* on February 22nd, as follows:—

Whereas it is the opinion of this House that provision should be made for the security of the citizens of the Dominion of Canada, protecting them against suffering and want resulting from inability to provide for the necessities of life through old age, sickness, disability, invalidity, unemployment, excessive family burdens, or loss of family head:

And whereas the financial resources of the Provinces will not permit the Provinces without assistance from the Dominion Treasury to fully provide the necessary funds

to give to their citizens this security:

And whereas public statements indicate that the Government of the Dominion of Canada has now in course of preparation a Federal plan for State Health Insurance:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House petition the Government of Canada, urging that it shall set up and bring into operation at as early a date as possible a comprehensive plan of Social Insurance which shall protect its citizens against all forms of want resulting from interruption of earnings, loss of earning-power or lack of earning-power, whether brought about through old age, sickness, invalidity, disability, excessive family burdens, loss of family head, or any other justifiable cause.

And be it further Resolved, That this House petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada, urging that a plan so set up shall recognize the rights and interests of the Provinces in the administration of such a plan, and that it shall allow each Province to develop its Social Insurance standards in conformity with the Social

Standards and Social Philosophy of its people.

And be it further Resolved, That this House petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada to bring into operation immediately a State Health Insurance Plan which shall recognize the rights and interests of the Provinces in the administration thereof.

Mrs. Steeves moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. MacNeil,—

And be it further Resolved, That we petition the Government of the Dominion of Canada to establish such a State Health Insurance Plan, covering all citizens, on the basis of the following principles:—

That contributions from income be levied on a graduated scale, according to

ability to pay:

That in the case of wage-earners contributions be levied from employers and employees:

That all who receive public maintenance or who are in receipt of income which

falls below adequate living standards shall be insured at the cost of the State:

That administrative and advisory boards to be set up under this plan include labour, farmers, and other community interests.

A debate arose.

The amendment was negatived.

Debate resumed on the main motion.

On the motion of Mr. Paton, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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. Gargrave—Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the Company Towns Regulation Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver."

On the motion of Mrs. Steeves-Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the Female Minimum Wage Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act."

The Hon. Mr. Maitland presented Supreme Court Rules, 1943.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

## Thursday, March 11th, 1943.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. L. McKay.

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act authorizing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to make certain Provisions with respect to Statutory Holidays" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Residence and Responsibility Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of Special Timber Licence No. 13300" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to provide for the Settlement of Differences between the Dominion and the Province respecting Staking for Minerals on Indian Reserves in British Columbia" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act.'"

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Juvenile Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to provide for the better Definition and Extension of the Jurisdiction of certain Magistrates."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Commission to control the Purchase of Supplies required in the Public Service of the Province."

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act.'"

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

- 90. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,030 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 91. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$76,265 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1944.
- 93. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 94. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,085 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Trade-schools Regulation Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 95. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Safety Branch, Lumber Industry, to 31st March, 1944.
- 96. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,690 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Youth Training and War Emergency Training, to 31st March, 1944.
- 89. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$19,910 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries to 31st March, 1944.
- 77. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,320 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 78. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,790 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 79. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Probate and Succession Duties Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 80. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$89,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 81. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$69,070 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 82. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$36,650 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, 1944.
- 83. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$574,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1944.
- 84. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$54,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 85. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 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, 1944.
- 86. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Suitors' Funds Deposits, to 31st March, 1944.

87. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent Extra-municipal School Taxes, to 31st March, 1944.

88. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st

March, 1944.

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

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Perry* on the 10th instant on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act,'" as follows:—

VICTORIA, March 11th, 1943.

Honourable Members,—A point of order was raised with reference to Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act.'"

This Bill would authorize the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to increase the

membership of the Public Library Commission from three to five members.

Section 4 of the "Public Libraries Act" provides that the members of the Commission shall be paid their travelling and other personal expenses out of moneys appropriated by the Legislature for that purpose. The effect of the Bill would necessarily be to increase the amount to be paid to members of the Commission. The Bill is therefore out of order under S.O. 67 which provides that it shall not be lawful for the House to adopt or pass any Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue unless first recommended to the House by Message.

The Bill is also out of order in the hands of a private member, without the consent of the Crown, on the ground that it confers powers upon the Crown. (See Journals, 1939, pp. 62 and 63; Journals, 1936, Second Session, p. 27; as well as numerous

decisions in British Columbia Speakers' Decisions, Vols. 1 and 2.)

N. W. WHITTAKER, Speaker.

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

1. Has a completed survey been made of the road from Hope to Princeton?

2. What mileage remains to be opened up?

- 3. Was any work done this year?
- 4. If so, what was its nature and extent?
- 5. If yes, how many were employed?
- 6. What was the cost to the Province?
- 7. What bridges are necessary?
- 8. Was any work done on them?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Eleven miles.
- "3. Yes; since March 31st, 1942.
- "4. Standardizing 3.5 miles of narrow road, constructing 2 miles of tote-road, widening and clearing on narrow sections of right-of-way, and two major revisions started.
  - "5. An average of 325 Japanese and non-Japanese.
  - "6. \$4,979.75 for overhauling equipment.
  - "7. Five on existing road to be reconstructed and five on unopened portion necessary.
- "8. No; but road approaches now under construction by Dominion to new bridgesite on Copper Creek revision."

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 5.44 p.m.

## Thursday, March 11th, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 10th, 1943.

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. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905," and recommends the same to the

Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 10th, 1943.

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. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, March 10th, 1943.

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. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dewdney Dyking District Relief 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.

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

- Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Cultus Lake Park Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act authorizing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to make certain Provisions with respect to Statutory Holidays" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Juvenile Courts Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to provide for the better Definition and Extension of the Jurisdiction of certain Magistrates" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.
- Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Commission to control the Purchase of Supplies required in the Public Service of the Province" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.
- Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act.'"

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify certain Agreements made between the Dominion and the Province."

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Allowances Act.'"

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act."

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Regulation of Shops and the Employment of Young Persons therein and providing for a Weekly Half-holiday for Shop Employees."

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the Department of Labour Act."

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vital Statistics Act.'"

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

130. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,730 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.

131. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$34,032 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st

132. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,365 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1944.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.03 p.m.

## Friday, March 12th, 1943.

Half-past Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. O. L. Jull.

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

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to provide for the better Definition and Extension of the Jurisdiction of certain Magistrates" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify certain Agreements made between the Dominion and the Province" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Allowances Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Regulation of Shops and the Employment of Young Persons therein and providing for a Weekly Half-holiday for Shop Employees" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Labour Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vital Statistics Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act.'"

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'"

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Strathcona Park Act.'"

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Nursing."

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

133. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$39,735 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Superannuation Act" and "Teachers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1944.

134. 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,

1944.

135. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1944.

136. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$115,000 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, 1944.

137. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7.200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Schedule

Bond, to 31st March, 1944.

138. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to Canteen Fund Trustees, to 31st March, 1944.

139. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1944.

141. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant from the Crown in Aid of Organization under the "Health Insurance Act," to 31st March, 1944.

140. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$460,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Superannuation Act"—Government contributions to Superannuation Fund, to 31st March, 1944.

142. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$259,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance

Branch, Administration, to 31st March, 1944.

143. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$186,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, Child Welfare Division, to 31st March, 1944.

144. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,060 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance

Branch, Collections Office, to 31st March, 1944.

145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1944.

146. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, "Residence and Responsibility Act"—Administration, to 31st March, 1944.

147. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, Welfare Visitor for the Deaf—Salary and expenses, to 31st March, 1944.

148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance

Branch, Grants to Charitable Associations, etc., to 31st March, 1944.

149. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,700,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, Social Allowances, Medical Services, etc. (including Grants), to 31st March, 1944.

150. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$821,182 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Social Assistance Branch, Old-age Pensioners' War Cost-of-living Bonus, to 31st March, 1944.

151. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$174,230 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of

Health, Office of the Secretary, to 31st March, 1944.

152. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$60,095 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, Division of Laboratories (Institute of Preventive Medicine), to 31st March, 1944.

153. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50,935 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, Vital Statistics Division, to 31st March, 1944.

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

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, March 12th, 1943.

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. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pre-emptors' Free Grants Act,' a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, March 12th, 1943.

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. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court Rules of Practice Act," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, March 12th, 1943.

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. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts 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. By leave of the House, the notices of introduction of the following Bills standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Hon. Mr. Maitland were withdrawn:—

Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court Rules of Practice Act.'"

Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.27 p.m.

# Monday, March 15th, 1943.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Carson, R. H.

Rolston, Mrs.

Carson, E. C.

Gillis

Perry

Anscomb

Prayers by the Rev. J. C. Jackson.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart* (Premier), seconded by Mr. *H. E. Winch* (Leader of the Opposition), the following Resolution was agreed to unanimously:—

That whereas Dr. F. W. Green, member for Cranbrook, has been unable to attend all meetings of the present Session owing to illness:

And whereas it is just and reasonable that the said Dr. *Green* should be paid the full sessional allowance:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay full sessional allowance to the said Dr. *Green* as if he had been present during each and every day of the Session.

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver" a debate arose.

The House divided.

Love

Mowat

Straith

Green

Braden

LeBourdais

MacDonald, R. C.

Bill read a second time on the following division:-

#### YEAS-27.

M	essieurs	
Finland	Hart	
Putnam	Maitland	
King	Pearson	
Hodges, Mrs.	Bennett	
Leary	Connelly	
Asselstine	Kenney	
MacDonald, K. C.	Paton	

## NAYS—17.

### Messieurs

Stirling Gargrave Guthrie Webber Turner	MacInnis, Mrs. Jamieson, Mrs. Winch, E. E. Uphill	Herridge Shepherd MacNeil Steeves, Mrs.	Lefeaux Winch, H. E. Cameron Pattullo
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Bill Ordered to be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court Rules of Practice Act.'"

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to provide for the Protection of Children."

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to permit Persons to be employed in War-time in certain Capacities in Coal-mines without Certificates of Competency."

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act.'"

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act'" was again committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Regulation of Shops and the Employment of Young Persons therein and providing for a Weekly Half-holiday for Shop Employees" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland—Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb-Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb—Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb—Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 8th, 1943.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

W. C. WOODWARD,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act conferring Power to grant Assistance to War-time Prospectors," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 1943.

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. 90) intituled "An Act conferring Power to grant Assistance to War-time Prospectors," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pearson presented the following papers:—

The Sixty-ninth Report of Vital Statistics for the Year ended December 31st, 1940.

The Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth Reports of the Provincial Board of Health for the Years ended December 31st, 1941 and 1942.

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Webber:—

- 1. How many cases of equine encephalomyelitis occurred in the Southern Okanagan Valley in the years 1940, 1941, and 1942 respectively?
  - 2. How many horses were vaccinated in each of the above years in that area?

3. What is the estimated horse population of that area?

4. Where is the Provincial Veterinarian for that district situated and what are the boundaries of the district under his jurisdiction?

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Webber:—

- 1. What steps, if any, have been taken by the Department of Agriculture to prevent or curb the outbreak of equine encephalomyelitis throughout the Province of British Columbia?
- 2. Are further preventive measures contemplated by the Department of Agriculture for the control of this disease?
  - 3. If yes, of what nature?
- 4. Is there co-operation between the Department of Agriculture and the Provincial Board of Health in measures for the control of diseases of animals that may infect man?
  - 5. If yes, specify the nature of this co-operation.

The Hon. Mr. Perry presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Webber:—

What provision exists in (a) organized areas—(i.) urban and (ii.) rural—and (b) unorganized areas for:—

1. Classes for backward and psychopathic children and those who are retarded but who can be trained and whose mental age is not less than eight years?

2. Handicraft and special industrial classes for children thirteen years of age and over who are eligible for an opportunity class?

3. Orthopædic classes for children who are physically disabled?

4. Sanatorium, preventorium, and hospital classes?

5. Open-air classes for delicate, anæmic, or undernourished children?

6. Oral, lip-reading, hard-of-hearing, and speech-correction classes for children who are deaf, partially deaf, or have speech defects?

7. Sight-saving classes for children whose sight prevents them from making satisfactory progress in school without such special facilities?

8. Visiting teacher classes for children whose disabilities confine them to their homes?

9. In the above designated areas what is the (a) known or (b) estimated number of children whom it is considered would benefit by each of the above specified classes?

10. Has a survey been made or estimate been made of the number of children of pre-school age who may need such special classes?

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 5.35 p.m.

# Monday, March 15th, 1943.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

- 46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,220 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 47. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$32,290 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1944.
- 48. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1944.
- 49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$62,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-books, Maps, etc., to 31st March, 1944.
- 50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$64,102 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Schools, to 31st March, 1944.
- 51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$57,260 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1944.
- 52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$127,210 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1944.
- 53. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$41,885 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal Schools, to 31st March, 1944.

54. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$49,605 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1944.

55. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,435,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Salary Grants, to 31st March, 1944.

56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$450,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants re "Special Assistance in the Cost of Education Act," Chapter 7, 1940, to 31st March, 1944.

57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Supplementary Aid re Teachers'

Salaries in Rural School Districts, to 31st March, 1944.

58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$115,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Erection of New Buildings, Maintenance and Repairs of School Buildings, Special Aid to School Districts, and Desks for Rural Schools, etc., to 31st March, 1944.

59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Education of Soldiers' Dependent

Children and Expenses, to 31st March, 1944.

60. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Bursaries for Children over 16 Years of Age in Mothers' Allowances Families, to 31st March, 1944.

61. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Tests; High School and Senior

Matriculation Examinations, to 31st March, 1944.

- 62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$135,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1944.
- 63. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Libraries, to 31st March, 1944.
- 64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$24,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools and Teacher-training for Special Certificates, to 31st March, 1944.
- 65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Official Trustee, Community School Districts,

to 31st March, 1944.

66. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Board of Reference—Remuneration, fees, and expenses, to 31st March, 1944.

67. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$61,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Adult Education, to 31st March, 1944.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 p.m.