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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the fifth meeting of the Seventeenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable John William Fordham Johnson, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 23rd day of January, 1933,

His Honour John William Fordham Johnson, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I welcome you to the Fifth Session of the Seventeenth Parliament of British Columbia.

The year 1932 has been an eventful one in the history of Canada and this Province. The outstanding event of the year has been the Imperial Economic Conference at Ottawa, where a new policy of intense significance to the future of the world trade was adopted. As a result of the agreements entered into, Canada has been given preference on her primary products, which should result in great benefits to her.

During the year, this Province was honoured by a visit from Their Excellencies the Right Honourable the Earl of Bessborough, Governor-General of Canada, and his gracious consort, the Countess of Bessborough.

As forecast last year, the first British Columbia Government Inspectional Tour, organized by the Agent-General of this Province in London and financed by those participating in the tour, resulted in a representative party leaving Liverpool toward the end of May, 1932, for a tour of the Dominion, a special itinerary being arranged for British Columbia, which, in addition to providing attractions from a tourist standpoint, furnished the necessary financial and commercial contacts which must precede increased trade.

My Government was represented at the Interprovincial Conference held in Ottawa last month, when consideration was given to the following matters:—

- (1.) Present unemployment and relief conditions.
- (2.) Unemployment and social insurance.
- (3.) Old-age pensions.
- (4.) Duplication of Dominion and Provincial taxation.
- (5.) Company law.
- (6.) Jurisdiction over insurance companies.
- (7.) Avoidance of overlapping where both Dominion and Provincial authorities are exercising jurisdiction.
- (8.) The regulation of truck and motor-bus services competing with interprovincial and national rail transportation facilities.
- (9.) Uniform statistical information.

Since last we met, this Legislature has suffered a loss in the death of Mr. Michael Manson, one of the oldest and most honoured members of the Legislature. His passing has been deeply felt by all those who had the privilege of knowing him.

The timber industries of the Pacific Coast, like all others, were affected by economic conditions and curtailment of markets. It is encouraging, however, to note that, while total deep-sea shipments from the North Pacific dropped still further in 1932, those from British Columbia increased by 10 per cent. and the trade within the Empire increased 69 per cent. over 1931, due very largely to the trade-extension work conducted jointly by my Government and the timber interests, and but for which a considerable further curtailment in operations and employment would have followed.

Adverse economic conditions have emphasized the possibilities for useful and profitable employment in the development of our mineral resources. Whilst it is true that the low level of base-metal world prices has retarded that branch of the industry, the Province, it is becoming ever more apparent, possesses important and as yet undeveloped gold resources, both in lode formation and in its alluvial gravels. It is gratifying to note that this is being recognized by those with capital to invest at home and abroad, as well as by the enterprising manhood of the country who are equipping themselves for prospecting this year.

Amendments to the "Mineral Act" and the "Placer-mining Act" calculated to bring those Statutes more in line with present conditions, but in nowise to change the vital underlying principles of our mining laws, will be submitted.

Agriculture, in common with other industries, has suffered from deflated prices and lack of markets. With the preferences accorded agricultural products at the Imperial Economic Conference, the agriculturist should be the first to regain his normal place. If our agricultural industry is to secure the maximum benefits from the market Great Britain affords, our exportable supplies must be continuous, in sufficient volume, and of a quality and price to interest our overseas customers.

It is encouraging to the producer to note that agriculture in British Columbia in 1932 took first place over all other basic industries in value of commodities produced. The programme for 1933 indicates that this industry will maintain the lead during the present year.

The price and terms of sale of ordinary Crown lands, and lands reverted for taxes, have been revised and modified with a view to providing easier means for *bona-fide* settlers to acquire lands as a medium for self-support.

My Government has placed before the Government of the Dominion of Canada the long-standing claim of this Province for better terms. British Columbia has for many years sought and has now renewed its petition for an investigation of its claims for adequate consideration arising out of the peculiar historical, economic, and physical conditions affecting British Columbia at the time of Confederation and since continuing.

A Commission was agreed to and partly appointed in 1912 to investigate these claims, but the war breaking out shortly after prevented any action.

Until such time as there is a material improvement in the world economic situation, it is intended that Dominion-wide regulations for the administration of unemployment relief will continue to be enforced having regard to our special needs in British Columbia. This will be done, as far as possible, in such manner as to conserve the interests of the taxpayer and without embarrassment to the self-respect of the recipient.

The problems and difficulties arising from the economic conditions prevalent throughout the world to-day demand wise; carefully considered, but effective action on the part of all Governments. They constitute a call for the co-operation of every one, ruler and people alike, for the exertion of all the best and noblest in our boasted civilization, in a determined effort to put the world's affairs on a sound basis.

My Government, while recognizing the seriousness of the situation, and realizing the tremendous tasks that face it, has refused to be stampeded. It has put into effect every economy that it felt could be carried out without unduly serious consequences. At the same time, it has not lost faith in the courage and fortitude of my people, nor in the wonderful resources of the Province, endeavouring to keep British Columbia in such a condition as to be able to take full advantage of the development and growth that will be made possible when prosperous times return. It is with this end in view that my Government has been making every effort to develop our markets, for it is largely in the development of our markets that employment will be created for our people.

Legislation will be submitted for your consideration dealing with the "Public Schools Act," "Vital Statistics Act," "Mineral Act," and "Placer-mining Act."

Reports of the various departments of my Government will be laid before you in due course. The Public Accounts of the last fiscal year and the Estimates for the coming year will be submitted for your consideration.

I leave you in confidence that your duties will be faithfully performed, and may the blessings of a Divine Providence inspire and guide your deliberations.

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

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

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Tolmie*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Jones*, it was *Resolved*,—
That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration to-morrow, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except the introduction of Bills, until disposed of.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Howe*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, it was *Resolved*,—That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pooley, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

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

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), said Committee to be composed of Messrs. Lister, Cornett, Beatty, Wrinch, and MacPherson.

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

That this House express its sincere regret at the death of Michael Manson, Esquire, member for the Electoral District of Mackenzie, and that the Clerk do convey to Mrs. Manson and the family of the late member the condolences and sincerest sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

The following papers were presented:-

By the Hon, the Minister of Education-

Annual Report of the Public Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1932.

By the Hon. the Attorney-General-

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board for the Period April 1st, 1931, to March 31st, 1932, and Balance-sheet as at September 30th, 1932.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Provincial Police for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

Annual Report of the Provincial Game Commissioner for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

Annual Report of the Inspector of Municipalities for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

Annual Report of the Official Guardian for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Provincial Police covering the Operation of Oakalla Prison Farm and the Nelson Provincial Gaol for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial Home for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

By the Hon. the Minister of Railways-

Annual Report of the Department of Railways for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

By the Hon. the Provincial Secretary-

Annual Report of the Mental Hospitals for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Tranquille Sanatorium for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Medical Inspection of Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1932.

Annual Report of Vital Statistics for the Year 1931.

Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Superannuation Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Teachers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Neglected Children for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

Annual Report made under the "Mothers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended September 30th, 1932.

Annual Report of the King's Printer for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

By the Hon, the Commissioner of Fisheries-

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

By the Hon. the Minister of Public Works-

Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

By the Hon. the Minister of Lands-

Return pursuant to Section 42 of the "Forest Act."

Return of Lands exchanged under B.C. Statutes, 1926-27, Chapter 14.

By the Hon. the Minister of Labour-

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

By the Hon. the Minister of Mines-

Annual Report of the Minister of Mines for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.

By the Hon. Mr. Speaker-

Annual Report of the Provincial Library and Archives for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 3.40 p.m.

Friday, February 24th, 1933.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Hayward presented the following petitions:-

From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to extend its borrowing-powers.

From the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to take certain measures for extending its borrowing-powers.

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

Mr. Twigg (Victoria City) moved, seconded by Mr. Fitzsimmons (Kaslo-Slocan),—

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

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

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

The Hon. Mr. Jones presented the Public Accounts for the Year ended March 31st, 1932.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Atkinson, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture shall consist of twelve members, as follows: Messrs. Lister, Berry, Carson, Michell, Heggie, Dick, R. Mackenzie, Fitzsimmons, Uphill, Wrinch, MacPherson, and Gillis.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Tolmie*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Jones*, it was *Resolved*,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Fisheries shall consist of six members, as follows:
Messrs. *Kirk*, *MacNaughton*, *Macintosh*, *Carson*, *Wrinch*, and *Hanna*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Howe, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Forestry shall consist of eight members, as follows:
Messrs. MacNaughton, Heggie, Spencer, Fitzsimmons, Michell, Kergin, Gray, and King.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lougheed, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Mining shall consist of eight members, as follows:
Messrs. Borden, Schofield, Fitzsimmons, R. Mackenzie, MacNaughton, Uphill, Kergin, and Gillis.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters shall consist of ten members, as follows: Messrs. Hayward, Alward, Heggie, Rutledge, Loutet, Michell, Walkem, Gray, Hanna, and Gillis.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Hinchliffe, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Printing shall consist of five members, as follows:
Messrs. Beatty, Schofield, Hayward, King, and Uphill.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McKenzie, it was Resolved,—
That the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills shall consist of
nine members, as follows: Messrs. Twigg, Loutet, Kirk, Cornett, Macintosh, Borden, Manson,
Hanna, and Kergin.

The Hon, Mr. Tolmic moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Bruhn,-

That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts shall consist of fifteen members, as follows: Messrs. Berry, Twigg, Kirk, Beatty, Carson, Macintosh, Lister, Kingston, Alward, Cornett, Sutherland, Pearson, Manson, Kergin, and MacPherson.

Mr. Pattullo moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pearson,-

That the motion to appoint the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts be amended by adding thereto the name of Mr. George Alexander Walkem.

A debate arose.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

| | | Yeas—9. | |
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| | | Messieurs | |
| King | MacPherson | Wrinch | Pattullo |
| Hanna | Gillis | Kergin | Gray |
| Pearson | | | |
| | | NAYS-29. | |
| | | Messieurs | |
| Loutet | Lister | Tolmie | Beatty |
| Carson | Alward | Pooley | Cornett |
| Mackenzie, R. | Hayward | Hinchliffe | Shelly |
| Rutledge | Twigg | Macintosh | Bruhn |
| Fitzsimmons | Maitland | Michell | Atkinson |
| Kingston | Howe | MacNaughton | Lougheed |
| Borden | Jones | Schofield | McKenzie, W. A. |
| Kirk | | | |
| | | Pairs: | |

Messieurs

Heggie

Sutherland

Main motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pooley, it was Resolved,— That the Select Standing Committee on Railways shall consist of six members, as follows: Messrs. Spencer, Alward, Loutet, R. Mackenzie, Sutherland, and King.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

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,

February 23rd, 1933.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the '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. Lougheed presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON.

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 23rd, 1933.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Central Park 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 following papers were presented:-

By the Hon, Mr. McKenzie-

Return pursuant to R.S.B.C. 1924, Chapter 165, Section 10, "Iron-ore Supply Act."

Non-metallic Mineral Investigations—Report No. 1, April, 1932, "Barite in British Columbia"; Report No. 2, April, 1932, "Asbestos in British Columbia"; Report No. 3, May, 1932, "Possibilities of Manufacturing Bottles and Glassware in British Columbia"; Report No. 4, August, 1932, "Some Undeveloped Clay Deposits in British Columbia."

Summary and Review of the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Six Months ended June 30th, 1932.

Preliminary Report of the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Year 1932.

Report on McConnell Creek Placer Area, Omineca Mining Division, Bulletin No. 2, September, 1932.

Lode-gold Developments in British Columbia during 1932, Bulletin No. 3, November, 1932.

By the Hon, Mr. Howe-

Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Eighteen Months ended December 31st, 1932.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.26 p.m.

Monday, February 27th, 1933.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The following petitions were received:-

From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to extend its borrowing-powers.

From the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to take certain measures for extending its borrowing-powers.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Tolmie*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Jones*, it was *Resolved*,—

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

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

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Mr. Sutherland,-

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To add the following words to the motion of the honourable the fourth member for Victoria City on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

"This House feels in duty bound to advise Your Honour that it does not believe that the present Government has administered the affairs of the Province wisely; and, further, this House feels assured that the course which the Government has been pursuing does not meet with general public approval."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

| | | YEAS—11. | |
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| | | Messieurs | |
| Uphill | Pearson | Wrinch | Pattullo |
| King | MacPherson | Kergin | Manson |
| Hanna | Gillis | Sutherland | |
| | | Nays—33. | |
| | | Messieurs | |
| Loutet | Kirk | Maitland | Schofield |
| Carson | Lister | Howe | Beatty |
| Rutledge | Alward | Jones | Cornett |
| Mackenzie, R. | Heggie | Tolmie | Shelly |
| Fitzsimmons . | Spencer | Pooley | Bruhn |
| Dick | Walkem | Hinchliffe | Atkinson |
| Kingston | Hayward | Macintosh | Lougheed |
| Berry | Twigg | Michell | McKenzie, W. A. |
| Borden | | | |
| | | Pairs: | alternative in the best |
| | | Messieurs | |

Debate resumed on the main motion.

MacNaughton

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

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

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Gray

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits berewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and the Compilation of Vital Statistics," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 27th, 1933.

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. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and the Compilation of Vital Statistics," 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 3 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.28 p.m.

Tuesday, February 28th, 1933.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. Twigg, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by the Deputy Speaker.

Mr. Hayward presented a petition from the Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company's Act, 1898," and for other powers.

Mr. Kirk presented the following petitions:—

From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," and for other powers.

From James Ralston, G. J. Evans, Cecil Killam, and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922," and for other powers.

Mr. Dick presented a petition from Walter F. Evans, P. W. Barker, Robert J. Cromie, and others, asking for the exclusion of certain lands from the operations of the proposed Act to amend the "Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pooley, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Testator's Family Maintenance Act."

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Children of Unmarried Parents Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Cemetery Companies Act.'"

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act."

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act.'"

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Parents' Maintenance Act.'"

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act.'"

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Central Park Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Howe presented the Report of the Public Library Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Mr. Gillis asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:-

What is the present total strength of the Provincial Police Force?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:-

- "Officers, 7; N.C.O.'s, 39; men, 195; Motor-vehicle Branch (clerical), 36.
- "N.B.—The Provincial Police now police twenty-six municipalities."

Mr. Gillis asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:-

- 1. Does the Liquor Control Board own or rent premises occupied by it in Kamloops?
- 2. If owned, when was such property acquired, from whom, at what price, and upon what terms and conditions?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:-

- "1. Liquor Control Board property.
- "2. Property acquired December 12th, 1932, from Aubrey Edgar Sjoquist, of Kamloops. Terms: \$6,500 cash. Conditions: Cancellation of lease expiring May 31st, 1937, under the unexpired portion of which the rentals amounted to \$5,300."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.42 p.m.

Wednesday, March 1st, 1933.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. Twigg, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by the Deputy Speaker.

Mr. Spencer presented a petition from the Order of Oblates of Mary Immaculate in the Province of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of extending its powers.

The following petitions were received:—

From the Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company's Act, 1898," and for other powers.

From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," and for other powers.

From James Ralston, G. J. Evans, Cecil Killam, and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922," and for other powers.

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

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905'"

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Reported complete without amendment.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Central Park Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and the Compilation of Vital Statistics" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Wrinch, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Testator's Family Maintenance Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Cemetery Companies Act'" was read a second time

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Hanna, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Parents' Maintenance Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Manson, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lunacy Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. Gillis asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

Were any quantities of British Columbia timber shipped to Japan during 1932; and, if so, what total amount: (a) As raw logs; (b) manufactured?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

"(a) 68,203,574 F.B.M.; (b) 60,031,785 F.B.M. of lumber,* 155,851 lineal feet of piling.

"* Information obtained from inspection returns by the Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau, Inc."

Mr. Gray asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

Has any quantity of white pine been sold or otherwise disposed of by the Government since August 20th, 1928; and, if so, what quantity, to whom, at what price, and upon what terms and conditions?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

"White pine has been sold in a large number of sales each year, usually in small quantities with other species. The annual reports of the Forest Branch show a summary as follows: 1928, 4,553 M. feet at \$2.98 per M.; 1929, 8,229 M. feet at \$2.44 per M.; 1930, 4,709 M. feet at \$2.39 per M.; 1931, 4,006 M. feet at \$1.78 per M.; 1932, 2,565 M. feet at \$1.43 per M. The details of this information by individual sales and purchasers would require a review of 2,000 or 3,000 sales and a return of several pages."

Mr. Hanna asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:-

Did forest fires occur at any points in the Province during 1932; and, if so, where was each such fire, what area was burnt over, and what was the total estimated damage in each case?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

"The question is too general to answer in detail; 1,266 fires were reported throughout the Province, as compared with 2,518 in 1931. The area burned over was reported as 421,297 acres as compared with 994,978, and the damage \$571,694 as compared with \$1,803,486. In order to give the details requested it would require a review of 1,266 files and a return covering about forty pages."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Thursday, March 2nd, 1933.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. *Twigg*, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by the Deputy Speaker.

The petition from the Order of Oblates of Mary Immaculate in the Province of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of extending its powers, was received.

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

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

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

That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1931-32 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and the Compilation of Vital Statistics."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Children of Unmarried Parents Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Parents' Maintenance Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Pooley presented the Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 23rd, 1933.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Parks 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. Lougheed presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House.

February 23rd, 1933.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Mr. Gillis asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question :-

Were there any single unemployed men in Government relief camps on January 1st, 1933; and, if so, what total number, and how many of these were non-residents?

The Hon. Mr. Bruhn replied as follows:-

"Yes; approximately 5,000, all camp residents."

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

- 1. Were there any persons in receipt of unemployment relief, direct or indirect, in the Province on February 1st, 1933?
- 2. If yes, what is the total of such persons, and the number: (a) Married or single with dependents; (b) single without dependents?

The Hon. Mr. Bruhn replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. 120,244, including dependents: (a) 22,021; (b) 27,300."

Mr. Macintosh asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

- Did the Provincial Government purchase a steamer for ferry purposes at Ladner in 1918?
- 2. If yes, then what was the cost of this ferry and the capacity of same?
- 3. Was a contract let for reconstruction of the ship for ferry purposes?
- 4. What was the amount of this contract, and the name of the contractor?
- 5. What was the actual amount spent on reconstruction?

The Hon. Mr. Bruhn replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Cost, \$10,000; capacity, 6 trucks and 13 cars.
- " 3. Yes.
- "4. Contract: Main alterations, \$18,169.88; extras, \$19,143.86. Star Shipyard Co. and Westminster Iron Works (jointly).
- "5. Approximate cost of putting vessel in operation, \$47,313.74; boiler inspection, \$1,900; total, \$49,213.74."

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

- 1. Was an automobile-ferry operated by or on behalf of the Government on Kootenay Lake during 1932?
- 2. If yes, was such ferry the property of the Government; or, if not, from whom was it rented or leased, and at what cost?
- 3. Has any ferry for use on Kootenay Lake been purchased by the Government; and, if so, what type of ferry, from whom, and at what cost?

The Hon. Mr. Bruhn replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No; chartered from Canadian Pacific Railway Company at \$112.60 per day from April 14th, 1931, to October 31st, 1932, and at \$85 per day from November 1st, 1932, to January 31st, 1933, plus wages of crew on usual rest-days in both cases.
- "3. Yes; steam auto steel ferry, 200 by 40 by 8 feet, of 1.200 horse-power and 22-car capacity, which can be cheaply increased to ultimate capacity of 30 cars; Canadian Pacific Railway Company, \$17,000."

Mr. Gillis asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

- 1. Was any portion of highway acquired by the Canadian Pacific Railway in connection with railroad-construction between Penticton and Oliver?
 - 2. If yes, upon what terms and conditions?

The Hon. Mr. Bruhn replied as follows:—

"1 and 2. The portions of road required for railway-construction were, at that time, in need of relocation and improvement. An agreement was entered into with the Kettle Valley Railway Company whereby the company, in consideration of title to portions of the highway right-of-way, paid to the Province the sum of \$17,000 as the cost of relocating the unimproved highway interfered with."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.22 p.m.

Friday, March 3rd, 1933.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. Twigg, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Prayers by the Deputy Speaker.

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

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

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

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM.

March 3rd, 1933.

MR. SPEAKER:

 $\hbox{Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:} \\ --$

That the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned petitions:—

No. 1-The Corporation of the City of Victoria.

No. 2—The Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt.

No. 3-Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company, Limited.

No. 4-Corporation of City of Vancouver.

No. 5-James Ralston, G. J. Evans, Sherwood Lett, and others.

No. 6—The Order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate in the Province of British Columbia.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. D. Twige, Chairman.

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

On the motion of Mr. Hayward-

The report was read and received.

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Nanaimo Electric Light, Power, and Heating Company's Act, 1898.'"

On the motion of Mr. Kirk-

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921."

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922."

On the motion of Mr. Spencer-

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate The Order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate in the Province of British Columbia.'"

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 3rd, 1933.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury 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. Hinchliffe presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 3rd, 1933.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON.

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 3rd, 1933.

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. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works 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. Atkinson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON.

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House.

March 3rd, 1933.

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. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Stock-brands Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Hayward, was withdrawn:—

That matters concerning municipal affairs, sought to be brought to the attention of this Legislature, be first referred to the Committee on Municipal Matters for its consideration, and that its recommendations be placed before the Minister or Ministers responsible, for the purpose of drafting the amending legislation suggested.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Hayward, seconded by Mr. Gray, it was Resolved.—

That this House do refer to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters the consideration of all matters and things affecting municipalities in relation to the "Municipal Act" or amendments thereto, or in relation to any other Statute affecting municipal matters.

The Hon. Mr. Atkinson presented the Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year 1932.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Parks Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Pattullo, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Garibaldi Park Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Pattullo, adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. King asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What was the total credit of trust accounts in the Treasury as at January 31st, 1933?

The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follows:-

" \$728,496.75."

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

Was any amount received by the Province from the Dominion Government as a contribution towards meeting the cost of unemployment relief; and, if so, what was the total of such amount in: (a) 1931; (b) 1932?

The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follows:-

"Dominion contribution towards cost of unemployment relief: (a) Fiscal year 1930-31, \$884,942.99; (b) fiscal year 1931-32, \$4,029,224.37."

Mr. King asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

Is any amount owing at this date to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for money borrowed:

1933

(a) On Treasury bills; (b) as overdraft? If yes, what amount in each case?

The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follows:--

"(a.) Yes. On Treasury bills (January 31st, 1933), \$6,329,109.85. (b.) No."

Mr. King asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

Were there any unexpended balances as at February 1st, 1933, in respect of Loan Acts? If yes, what amounts in each case?

The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follows:-

"Borrowing-powers, February 1st, 1932:-

| Consolidated Revenue— | | |
|---|--------------|------------------|
| 'Loan Act, 1916' | \$220.00 | |
| ' Loan Act, 1932 ' | 1,496,304.13 | |
| | | \$1,496,524.13 |
| Highways and Bridges— | | |
| 'Loan Act, 1929' | \$1,440.00 | |
| 'Loan Act, 1932 ' | 175,000.00 | |
| | | 176,440.00 |
| Buildings- | | |
| Loan Act, 1922 ' | \$789.00 | |
| ' Loan Act, 1923 ' | 854.15 | |
| 'Loan Act. 1931' | 75,000.00 | |
| | | 76,643.15 |
| B.C. University— | | •-, |
| 'Loan Act, 1920' | \$10,000.00 | |
| 'Loan Act, 1930' | 4 . / | |
| | .0,000.00 | 83,590.00 |
| P.G.E. Railway Construction— | | 00,000.00 |
| 'Loan Act, 1920' | \$165.65 | |
| 'Loan Act, 1921' | , | |
| 'Loan Act, 1928' | | |
| | | 2,789,246.45 |
| Conservation—'Loan Act, 1930' | | 36,000.00 |
| Crown Property Development—'Loan Act, 1925' | | 55,000.00 |
| B.C. Electric Railway—'Loan Act, 1921' | | 93,000.00 |
| Dewdney Dyking Relief—'Loan Act, 1929' | 125.00 | |
| Land Settlement Board—'Loan Act, 1925' | | 8,213.00 |
| 'Soldiers' Land Act '-' Loan Act, 1927' | 20,000.00 | |
| Industries—' Loan Act, 1919' | | |
| | | |
| | | \$5,834,781.73 " |

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.05 p.m.