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Monday, January 26th, 1942.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. A. Reynolds.

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.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, it was Resolved,---

That on Monday, January 26th, and all following days of the Session there shall be two distinct sittings in each day; one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

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 'Land Act,' " and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, January 23rd, 1942.

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 'Land 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 following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Kenney* was withdrawn:—

This Legislative Assembly of British Columbia recognizing the grave perils facing this Dominion, the British Commonwealth, and Empire, and all those united nations of the world now opposing in war the aggressions of the Axis powers, hereby pledges the total resources of the Province to Canada and the Empire to the determined purpose of victory:

And, without any desire to encroach upon the rights and privileges of the Federal Parliament, we urge the Government and Parliament of Canada to mobilize immediately the whole resources of Canada, both human and material, in a resolute and total effort to defeat our enemies and ensure complete victory. By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mrs. *MacInnis* was withdrawn:—

Whereas the Dominion Government has recognized the increased cost of living by granting a cost-of-living bonus to wage-earners:

And whereas this increased living cost has made it impossible for those in receipt of the old-age pension to maintain standards of health and decency:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature is of the opinion that every effort should be made to assist the aged of this Province, and therefore recommends to this Government the advisability of appointing a committee of this House to investigate the problems of the old-age pensioners with a view to making recommendations to this Government for improving their situation.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Anscomb, it was Resolved,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to consider such matters affecting the agricultural industry as may be laid before it by the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes, to call members of the B.C. Agricultural Production Committee, the inter-departmental committee on farm labour, and such departmental officials as may be representatives on other agricultural bodies with a view to securing information on matters affecting the agricultural welfare of the Province and to report its findings to this House.

Mr. Paton asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:----

1. How many Oriental marriages were there in British Columbia last year?

2. How many mixed marriages in which one of the parties was an Oriental?

3. If yes, give sex and racial entity of the contracting parties.

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

"1. There were 214 Oriental marriages in British Columbia during 1941. In forty of these marriages both of the contracting parties were Chinese; in 174 of them both of the contracting parties were Japanese.

"2. There were eight mixed marriages in which one of the contracting parties was an Oriental.

"3. Of the eight mixed marriages there were six in which a Chinese bridegroom married a white bride and two in which a Japanese bride married a white bridegroom. No further information about the racial origin of the non-Oriental party in these mixed marriages is available."

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

1. How many pieces of equipment of the following categories does the Department of Public Works own: (a) Bulldozers, (b) graders, (c) steam-shovels, (d) gas-shovels, and (e) trucks?

2. On what basis is this equipment distributed between the electoral districts?

3. How much of this equipment is assigned to each of the following electoral districts: (a) Similkameen, (b) Grand Forks-Greenwood, (c) Yale, and (d) South Okanagan?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"1. (a) Bulldozers, 44; (b) power-graders, 77; pull-graders, 230; (c) steamshovels, 1; (d) gas-shovels, 46; (e) trucks, 404.

"2. Based on normal requirements of each district. Where special circumstances require extra equipment, transfers from other districts are arranged whenever practicable.

"3. (a.) Similkameen: Bulldozers, 4; power-graders, 4; pull-graders, 1; gasshovels, 1; trucks, 16. (b.) Grand Forks-Greenwood: Bulldozers, 1; power-graders, 3; pull-graders, 6; gas-shovels, 2; trucks, 11. (c.) Yale: Bulldozers, 1; powergraders, 2; pull-graders, 6; gas-shovels, 3; trucks, 21. (d.) South Okanagan: Bulldozers, 1; power-graders, 4; pull-graders, 4; gas-shovels, 1; trucks, 11." Mr. Webber asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:-

1. Are there any temporary appointments on the teaching staff of the Elementary Correspondence School?

2. (a.) If so, what are the salaries of such appointees respectively? (b.) Are they members of the Civil Service? (c.) Do they come under the Civil Service Super-annuation regulations?

3. Is the work of the Elementary Correspondence School expanding?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) \$70 per month; (b) no; (c) no.

"3. The enrolment of pupils for the school-year 1940-41 showed a slight increase over that of the previous school-year."

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

1. What Provincial Government buildings are insured against fire?

2. What are the amounts of such insurance carried?

3. What are the premiums paid respectively?

4. With what companies is the business done?

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

"1. (a.) Government House, (b) Parliament Buildings, (c) Prince George Government Building, (d) Langford Warehouse.

"2. (a) \$163,000, (b) \$2,000,000, (c) \$15,000, (d) \$30,000.

"3. (a) 978, (b) 5,500.01, (c) 312, (d) 525.

"4. (a.) Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd.; London-Canada Insurance Co.; The Acadia Fire Insurance Co. of Halifax; The Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., Ltd.; Excess Insurance Co., Ltd.; Eagle, Star & British Dominions Insurance Co., Ltd.; British Crown Assurance Corporation, Ltd.; Caledonian-American Insurance Co.; Western Assurance Company; Canada Security Assurance Company; London & Lancashire Insurance Co., Ltd.; The Sea Insurance Company, Ltd.; Camden Fire Insurance Association; Canadian Indemnity Company; World Insurance Company; Dominion of Canada General Insurance Co.; Provincial Insurance Company, Ltd.; Canada Security Assurance Co. (b.) Phoenix Assurance Company, Ltd.; Commercial Union Assurance Co., Ltd.; Bankers & Traders Insurance Co.; British America Assurance Co.; Royal Insurance Company, Ltd.; General Fire Assurance Corporation; Pearl Assurance Company, Ltd.; British Empire Assurance Co. of Toronto; Canadian Indemnity Company; British Northwestern Fire Insurance Company; Liverpool-Manitoba Assurance Company; Great American Insurance Company; Niagara Fire Insurance Company; Eagle Star Insurance Company; Canadian Fire Insurance Co.; British Crown Assurance Corporation; Globe Indemnity Company of Canada; Canada Accident & Fire Assurance Company; London and Scottish Assurance Corporation; World Insurance Company; Guardian Assurance Company; Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance; Provincial Insurance Company; Caledonian American Insurance Company; Western Assurance Company; Hartford Insurance Company; London & Lancashire Insurance; Sea Insurance Company; Toronto General Insurance Company; London & Lancashire Insurance Company; General Accident Assurance Company; London & County Insurance Company; Car & General Insurance Corporation; North British & Mercantile Insurance; Canadian Indemnity Company; Law Union & Rock Insurance Company; Dominion of Canada Insurance Co.; Royal Scottish Insurance Company; British Traders Insurance Company; Anglo Scottish Insurance Company; Royal Plate Glass & General Insurance Company; Canadian Surety Company; Century Insurance Company; Casualty Company of Canada; Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company; Mercantile Fire Insurance Company. (c.) Eagle Star Insurance Co., Ltd.; The Merchants' Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.; British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.: Phoenix Assurance Co., Ltd. (d.) London-Canada Insurance Co."

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 5.23 p.m.

Tuesday, January 27th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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.

On the motion of Mr. *Turner*, 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. *Straith*—Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the City of Greenwood."

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal and Petroleum Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to validate the Title to Special Timber Licences" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wills Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. H. E. Winch, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

That a Return be made by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works of all correspondence, documents, and reports in relation to the proposed establishment of a ferry service between Albion and Fort Langley. Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth Reports of the Medical Inspection of Schools for the Years ended June 30th, 1940 and 1941.

Report of the Civil Service Commission for the Year ended March 31st, 1941.

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Paton:---

1. Is the ferry plying between Woodward Landing and Ladner owned by the Government?

2. If yes, is it operated by the Government; and, if not, by whom?

3. If not, what are the terms of lease or charter for the years 1941-40-39?

4. If not, is anything paid toward the maintenance of the ferry; and, if so, how much during 1941-40-39?

5. If not, who fixes the rates paid by the passengers and vehicles using the ferry? 6. What are they; what are freight charges?

7. If not, are the rates charged the public fixed by the Public Utilities Commis-

sion; and, if not, by whom?

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

1. How many persons are employed by the Liquor Control Board in a (a) permanent and (b) temporary capacity?

2. Are deductions made from the salaries of employees of the Liquor Control Board in respect of any plan of group insurance?

3. If so, to what company or companies are such premiums paid and for how many persons?

4. Who acts as the agent of the insurance company or companies concerned?

5. Are all employees of the Liquor Control Board required to take insurance with these companies?

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

"1. (a) Permanent staff, 288; (b) temporary staff, 56.

"2. Yes; under plan established August 1st, 1938.

"3. Canada Life Assurance Company, 640 Hastings Street West, Vancouver; The Crown Life Insurance Company, Rogers Building, Vancouver; and the Sun Life Assurance Company, Scollard Building, Victoria.

"4. The Board's business is conducted with the head offices and the branch secretaries of the companies as referred to in No. 3.

"5. With the exception of certain employees who are soldiers, for whom special provision is made for exemption, it is compulsory for all employees on the permanent staff to participate in the group plan."

Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions :---

1. What was the total production of butter-fat in the Province during 1941?

2. What was the average price paid to producer?

The Hon. Mr. MacDonald replied as follows:-

"1. The information requested will not be available until approximately the end of the fiscal year. For 1940, approximately 24,700,000 lb.

"2. The information requested will not be available until approximately the end of the fiscal year. For 1940, approximately 39 cents."

Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions :---

1. What was the total consumption of butter in the Province in the year 1941?

2. How much of this was produced in the Province?

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

"1. The information requested will not be available until approximately the end of the fiscal year. For 1940, 20,354,622 lb.

"2. The information requested will not be available until approximately the end of the fiscal year. For 1940, 8,979,036 lb."

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 5.40 p.m.

Wednesday, January 28th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon A. E. deL. Nunns.

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.

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

Mr. E. C. Carson asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following queztions:---

1. Is there a Government owned or subsidized ferry at the Needles, in the Kaslo-Slocan Riding?

2. If so, when was the cable used by such ferry renewed?

3. From whom was such cable purchased?

4. What price was paid for such cable?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. December, 1940.

"3. Frank Rushton, Nakusp.

"4. \$1,190.54."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Wednesday, January 28th, 1942.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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.

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

Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions :--

1. What has the Coal and Petroleum Control Board cost the people of the Province of British Columbia up to December 31st, 1941?

2. What are the present monthly expenses, plus salaries, of the Coal and Petroleum Control Board?

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

"1. \$62,820.77.

"2. \$532."

Mr. E. C. Carson asked the Hon. the Minister of Municipal Affairs the following questions:---

1. Has the refunding of Burnaby's indebtedness been completed?

2. If so, when does the Government intend to return the franchise to the people of Burnaby?

3. When returning the franchise to the people of Burnaby will the Government take notice of the by-law passed by the electors providing for the election of councillors at large?

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

"1. It can not be said that the refunding of Burnaby's indebtedness has been completed until the provisions of the 'District of Burnaby Debt Refunding Act, 1940,' have been carried out. This will not be known until 1965. However, of the \$2,895,165.20 debentures authorized to be issued under such Act, all but \$102,486.46 have been exchanged as at January 27th, 1942.

"2. The next municipal election will be held as provided for in the 'Municipal Elections Act': Nomination on the second Monday in December, 1942; polling on the following Saturday.

"3. The local factors governing the election of councillors at the time the first Commissioner was appointed will prevail at the forthcoming municipal election. Any change from the ward system would have to be made by the newly-elected council in the regular manner."

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.47 p.m.

Thursday, January 29th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. F. W. McKinnon.

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 'Fisheries Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, January 28th, 1942.

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

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(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries 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. *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, January 28th, 1942.

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 '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.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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.

On the motion of Mr. R. C. MacDonald, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*, Bill (No. 24) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

What amount of money has been spent on roads and trails from Cultus Lake to the United States Boundary in the Chilliwack Riding during the years 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, and 1941?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb replied as follows:-

"No separate record is kept in the Department of expenditure on roads and trails from Cultus Lake to the United States Boundary. The following are the expenditures on all roads from the south boundary of Chilliwack Municipality to the United States Boundary via Cultus Lake, known as Columbia Valley Road and branches: 1937-38, \$6,709.86; 1938-39, \$5,276.91; 1939-40, \$4,126.99; 1940-41, \$3,219.83; 1941-42 (to date), \$3,839.07." Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question :--

What was the amount of money received from motor-licence fees in the Chilliwack Riding in the year 1941?

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

"\$98,915.32 from motor-vehicle licences and fees and \$10,225.52 from other licences and permits; i.e., motor-cycles, drivers' licences, etc."

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

1. Has the Government purchased the necessary land for the 1-mile road extension from the port of entry at Huntingdon to the Trans-Canada Highway known as C Street Extension?

2. If so, what price was paid for this property?

3. How much was spent on developing C Street Extension in the year 1941?

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

"1. Yes: all except one parcel.

"2. \$2,572.

"3. \$2,279.95."

Mrs. Jamieson asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:---

1. Is the amendment to the "Parents' Maintenance Act," Provincial Statutes, chapter 38, 1940, section 2, subsection (3), being adhered to by the Old-age Pension Board?

2. In how many instances in the past year has action in accordance with the above amendment been taken?

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

"1. The Chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board states that 'in the few cases where under the Dominion Old-age Pensions Regulations sons and daughters were considered financially able to contribute to the support of parents they were requested to do so and they voluntarily arranged to make contributions, thereby rendering action under the "Parents' Maintenance Act" unnecessary.'

"2. None."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, January 29th, 1942.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.35 p.m.

Friday, January 30th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. John Turner.

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 \$8,388,795.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1943.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1943.

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to validate the Title to Special Timber Licences" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the City of Greenwood" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Labour be instructed to meet representatives of labour organizations who desire to present and discuss a brief on labour legislation, and to report these representations to the House.

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, January 30th, 1942.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the '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. *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 respecting the Superannuation of George Herbert Deane," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, January 30th, 1942.

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. 32) intituled "An Act respecting the Superannuation of George Herbert Deane," 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 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 'Public Libraries Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, January 30th, 1942.

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. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries 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.

Mrs. Jamieson asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:— How many civil servants, if any, beyond the retiring age set by the "Civil Service Superannuation Act" are employed by the Government?

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

"There is no set retiring age pursuant to the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act.' Normal retirement is generally considered to be age 65 for males and age 60 for females. The number of male employees over age 65 at the present time is sixty-five. The number of female employees over age 65 at the present time is three." Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:-

1. What was the *per diem* educational cost per pupil under the Abbotsford-Sumas-Matsqui Educational Area in 1941?

2. What percentage of such cost was borne by the Department?

3. What was the *per diem* educational cost per pupil in the Chilliwack Area in 1941?

4. What percentage of such cost was borne by the Department?

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

"1. For the school-year 1940-41 the cost per pupil per school-day in the Matsqui-Sumas-Abbotsford Educational Administrative Area was 33.1 cents.

"2. 52.1 per cent.

"3. For the school-year 1940-41 the cost per pupil per school-day in the area that comprises the school districts of Chilliwack City and Chilliwack District Municipality and the Chilliwack High School area was 35 cents.

"4. 44.8 per cent."

Mr. Turner asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:---

What regulations, if any, have been issued governing the practices of private. welding-schools now operating in the Province, in reference to: (a) Standards of courses, (b) qualifications of teachers, (c) fees charged, (d) inspection of prospectuses?

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

"Welding-schools come under General Regulations governing all trade-schools required to be registered under the 'Trade-schools Regulation Act' (see B.C. Gazette, March 4th, 1937, page 360). (a), (b), (c), and (d). Standard of courses, qualification of teachers, fees charged, sufficiency of equipment, and details of prospectuses are set out in application for registration pursuant to section 6 of the Act. These, as well as all advertising, are carefully investigated before registration is granted and while school is in operation. A competent inspector with welding experience visits the schools periodically and reports his findings to the Government Administrative Officials. Teachers are required to have a Boiler Inspector's Certificate, also to satisfy the inspector as to their competence and have a record of practical experience in the trade."

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 5.20 p.m.

Monday, February 2nd, 1942.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. N. Turner.

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 \$10,880 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,615 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1943.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,145 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$57,459 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, Entomology, and Apiary Inspection, to 31st March, 1943.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$101,745 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,630 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crops and Seed Improvement Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1943.

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, 1943.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, International, National, and Provincial Exhibits, to 31st March, 1943.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

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, 1943.

16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations and Fairs —Buildings, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

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, 1943.

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, 1943.

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, 1943.

20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1943.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rodent and Insect Pest Extermination, to 31st March, 1943.

22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1943.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Investigations and Extension—Expenses, to 31st March, 1943.

The Committee 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. *Maitland*, Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Anscomb, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Maitland, it was Resolved,-

That this House instruct the Select Standing Committee on Mining to consider the effect of the "Securities Act" on the mining industry of this Province and the investing public, to call any person or persons qualified to give information of value to the said Committee with respect to the matters aforesaid, and to report its findings to this House.

Mr. Speaker presented the following reports:---

Annual Report of the Provincial Library for the Year ended December 31st, 1940. Annual Report of the Provincial Library for the Year ended December 31st, 1941.

Mr. Shepherd asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:-

1. Is an Official Administrator in charge of educational matters in the Municipality of Langley?

2. If so, have any requests been received by the Department for a return to an elected School Board form of administration?

3. What steps are available to effect a return to elected School Board form?

The Hon. Mr. Perry replied as follows:-

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes; but not in recent months.

"3. If the Langley Municipal Council, which represents the voters of the municipality, recommends that a Board of School Trustees be elected, or if it becomes evident that a majority of the voters desire a change, this Department will give the matter careful attention. The best time to make the suggested change would be in the month of December when the annual election for Reeve and Councillors is held. At the present time the Official Trustee, who is an experienced Inspector of Schools, works in close co-operation with the municipal council, and, so far as funds are available, is administering school affairs in a most efficient manner."

Mr. Guthrie asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:----

1. How many married people with families are on relief in the Province at the present time?

2. How many single men are on relief?

3. How many single girls are on relief?

4. Are there any farmers on relief at the present time; and, if yes, how many? The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* replied as follows:—

"1. Employable, 1,680; unemployable, 1,555.

"2. Employable, 1,652; unemployable, 2,283.

"3. Employable, 226; unemployable, 1,664.

"4. Yes; estimated 324 families and 66 single, these figures being included in totals of questions No. 1 and No. 2."

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

1. In re replies given to questions asked by the honourable member for Lillooet and reported in the Votes and Proceedings, No. 16, Wednesday, January 28th, 1942, what was the length and the size of the cable purchased for the ferry at the Needles?

2. Was such cable purchased by tender?

3. If so, give the names of all persons or firms so tendering, together with the amount of the tender submitted by each person so tendering.

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:-

"1. 2,600 lineal feet; size, 1 inch.

"2. Yes.

"3. Marshall-Wells B.C., Ltd., Vancouver, \$45.79 per 100 feet; Frank Rushton, Nakusp, \$45.79 per 100 feet."

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

1. What was the total amount of lumber used by the Department of Public Works for the building of sidewalks in Nakusp during 1941?

2. From whom was the lumber purchased and at what price per thousand feet?

3. What was the dimension of the lumber purchased for this purpose?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows :----

"1. 75,416 F.B.M.

"2. Big Bend Cedar Pole Co.; 16-foot lengths, \$29 f.o.b. mill; 20-foot lengths, \$30 f.o.b. mill.

"3. 3 inches by 6 inches, 3 inches by 8 inches, 3 inches by 10 inches, and 4 inches by 6 inches."

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

1. Was gravel purchased in reconstruction of the highway between Box Lake and Nakusp in 1941?

2. If so, what was the yardage purchased and at what price?

3. From whom was the gravel purchased?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:-

"1. No.

"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:-

"Uncommitted reserve, \$64,145.07."

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

1. What is the total amount expended to date on the Wilson Lake Road in the Kaslo-Slocan Riding?

2. Has this road been surveyed and gazetted?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:---

"1. \$3,294.90.

"2. Yes."

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

1. Is there a road providing access to the Marble Head Bridge, Lardeau District, for vehicular traffic?

2. If not, is it the intention of the Government to build such a road?

3. If yes, what is the estimated cost?

"1. Yes; temporary road.

"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Was any equipment purchased in the last fiscal year from the Big Bend Cedar Pole Co., Ltd.?

2. If yes, what was the equipment and the price thereof?

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

1. Has the Government sold any ferries on the Arrow Lakes during 1941?

2. If so, to whom and at what price?

3. Has the Government rented any barge or ferry on the Arrow Lakes in 1941?4. If so, from whom and for what purpose and at what price?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:-

"1. Yes; ferry barge.

"2. Big Bend Cedar Pole Co., Ltd., for \$20.

"3. Yes; barge.

"4. Big Bend Cedar Pole Co., Ltd., substitute ferry, \$8 per day for twenty days."

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 5.30 p.m.

Monday, February 2nd, 1942.

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.)

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,682 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1943.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,674 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$24,370 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,954 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1943.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,968 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1943.

30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,063 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1943.

31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 31st March, 1943.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,332 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1943.

33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$127,074 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1943.

34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$68,915 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1943.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,018,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1943.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$211,291 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1943.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$229,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$98,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1943.

39. 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, 1943.

40. 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, 1943.

41. 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, 1943.

42. 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, 1943.

43. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,920 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, 1943.

44. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 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, 1943.

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

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

REPORT NO. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

January 29th, 1942.

MR. SPEAKER:

That the preamble of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921,'" has been proved, and the Bill *Ordered* to be reported with amendment.

In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 113, your Committee calls the attention of the House to a provision which it recommends shall be inserted in the Bill and which provision had not been contemplated in the notice for the said Bill. This provision is intended to give power to a Court or Judge to extend the time for bringing an action against the City of Vancouver in certain instances.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. STRAITH, Chairman.

The report was read and received. By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

1. Has any request been made by shareholders of the Havilah Gold Mines, Limited, for an investigation of the Company's affairs under the "Securities Act"?

2. If such investigation has been made, what has been the outcome?

3. If no investigation has been made, on what grounds has such investigation been denied?

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

"1. Yes.

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"2. Inquiries were made to see if official investigation and appointment of a Commissioner was justified. Inquiries into allegations made did not elicit facts indicating fraud and further inquiry refused.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

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 11.20 p.m.

Tuesday, February 3rd, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. Biddle.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$29,560 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1943.

47. *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, 1943.

48. 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, 1943.

49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$63,529 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Schools, to 31st March, 1943.

50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$59,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1943.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$117,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1943.

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52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$42,040 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal Schools, to 31st March, 1943.

53. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$46,948 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1943.

54. 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, 1943.

55. 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, 1943.

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 amend the 'Poll Tax Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

February 3rd, 1942.

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. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax 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. Anscomb 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 'Iron and Steel Bounties Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

January 19th, 1942.

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. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Iron and Steel Bounties 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 'Local Improvement Act,' " and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, January 20th, 1942.

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. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement 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 'Forest Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 3rd, 1942.

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

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

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 'Old-age Pension Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 3rd, 1942.

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

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(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension 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. Anscomb presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Eyres:---

1. What is the present toll on cars and trucks, also tonnage, on the Cariboo Highway toll-gate?

2. What is the cost of collecting same?

3. How much was collected in 1940?

4. How much was spent on maintenance of the Cariboo Highway during 1940?

Mr. Shepherd asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:— 1. Has the Provincial Board of Health or any Provincial authority jurisdiction over housing conditions for temporary employees in hop-fields in the Fraser Valley?

2. If so, are inspections carried out and reports made on conditions?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes."

Mr. Eyres asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions:----

1. What has been the total cost to the Government to date of the Sumas Reclamation Project, including interest, administration, and other charges?

2. What is the total revenue the Government has derived from the said project?

3. How many settlers are now on this land as owners or purchasers?

4. How many acres are still unsold?

The Hon. Mr. Gray replied as follows:-

"1. \$8,160,456.27, as at December 31st, 1941.

"2. \$648,233.18, as at December 31st, 1941.

"3. 808 settlers.

"4. 1,304 acres."

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 5.27 o'clock p.m.

Tuesday, February 3rd, 1942.

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.)

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165,000 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, 1943.

57. *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, 1943.

58. 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, 1943.

59. 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, 1943.

60. 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, 1943.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Libraries, to 31st March, 1943.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools and Teacher-training for Special Certificates, to 31st March, 1943.

63. *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, 1943.

64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Board of Reference-Remuneration, Fees, and Expenses, to 31st March, 1943.

65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$63,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Adult Education, to 31st March, 1943.

66. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Radio Broadcasts, to 31st March, 1943.

67. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Curriculum Revision and Educational Supervision, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1943.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$431,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1943.

70. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Special Grant to Victoria College, to 31st March, 1943.

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the City of Greenwood" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

1. How many Japanese in the Province have been granted chauffeur licences?

2. In what Provincial constituencies do they reside?

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

1. What lumber companies are registered with the Registrar of Companies in British Columbia with the majority of shareholders of Japanese nationality?

2. What lumber companies are registered with the Registrar of Companies in British Columbia with the majority of shareholders of Canadian citizenship of Japanese origin?

The Hon. Mr. Maitland replied as follows:-

"1 and 2. No classified list has been compiled by the Registrar of Companies containing the information requested."

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 p.m.

Wednesday, February 4th, 1942.

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, "Introduction of Bills."

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. Guthrie-Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coroners Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. Cameron—Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Industrial Settlements."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Gray-Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1939.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Museum Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-schools Regulation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*—Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935.'"

On the motion of Mr. Lefeaux—Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Unclaimed Money Deposits Act."

On the motion of Mr. Cameron-Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Gray-Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

On the motion of Mrs. Jamieson-Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act."

On the motion of Mr. E. E. Winch—Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Registered Nurses Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Collection Agents' Licensing Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wills Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'"

The debate continued.

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. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.'"

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probates Recognition Act.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act.'"

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act."

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905.'"

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act respecting the Superannuation of George Herbert Deane."

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act.'"

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act.'"

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax Act,'"

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Iron and Steel Bounties Act."

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act."

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension Act.'"

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Victoria."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act '" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

The motion was negatived.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,470 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office—General Administration, to 31st March, 1943.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,825 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1943.

120. *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, 1943.

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

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb 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 'Coal and Petroleum Act,' " and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 4th, 1942.

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. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal and Petroleum 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. Leary asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Did the Department of Public Works rent a barge from the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. during 1941 on the Arrow Lakes for the purpose of transportation of equipment?

2. If yes, at what rate per day?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. Twenty-five dollars."

Mr. Shepherd asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:— 1. What part, if any, of the seven-cent Provincial gasoline tax is retained by, or returned to, oil companies in British Columbia for collecting this tax?

2. What was the total amount paid to the oil companies for collecting this tax for 1938, 1939, and 1940?

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

"1. Two per cent. commission allowed for collection.

"2. 1938, \$74,192.19; 1939, \$77,851.83; 1940, \$85,446.16."

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 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, February 5th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Oil Exploration in the Peace River Area, to 31st March, 1943.

122. *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, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

123. *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, 1943.

172. *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, 1943.

173. *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, 1943.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$123,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, British Columbia Government Travel Bureau, to 31st March, 1943.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,835 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, to 31st March, 1943.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Trade Extension, to 31st March, 1943.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,745 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department to 31st March, 1943.

The Committee reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again 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 'Motor-vehicle Act,' " and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 5th, 1942.

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. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle 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.

2. What is the potential student capacity of each of these schools, respectively?

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

"1. The enrolment to date in the Vancouver Normal School is 168, and in the Victoria Normal School it is 66.

"2. Student capacity: Vancouver Normal School, 220; Victoria Normal School, 140."

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 4.58 p.m.

Friday, February 6th, 1942.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

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 Mrs. Steeves-Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia University Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Animals Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland-Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland-Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the Game Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*—Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court Rules of Practice Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act conferring Power upon Municipalities to take Precautions against Hostile Attack."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act."

On the motion of Mrs. Jamieson—Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act.'"

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probates Recognition Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the notices of the introduction of the following Bills were severally withdrawn, and the Bills *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper:—

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession and Practice of Nursing."

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Weekly Half-holiday Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act respecting the Superannuation of George Herbert Deane" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Iron and Steel Bounties Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension 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. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1939.'"

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act.'"

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-schools Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935.'"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act."

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act.'"

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act."

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 an amendment to Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 3rd, 1942.

(ENCLOSURE.)

(a.) To insert the following new section as section 2:--

"2. Section 62 of the 'Taxation Act,' being chapter 282 of the 'Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1936,' is amended by inserting after 'and' in the eighth line, the words 'smelted in the Province or.'"

(b.) To renumber section 2 as section 3, and to strike out the words "of the 'Taxation Act,' being chapter 282 of the 'Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1936.'"

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved. That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 19) 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.)

86. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

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

By leave of the House, the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Leary* were withdrawn:—

1. What was the total amount of gasoline, lubricating-oil, and rubber tires purchased by all Departments of the Government from the Imperial Oil Co., Nakusp, Needles, Fauquier, and Edgewood, during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941.

2. What was the total amount of gasoline, lubricating-oil, and rubber tires purchased by all Departments of the Government from the Imperial Oil Co. throughout the Kaslo-Slocan Riding during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941.

3. What was the total amount of gasoline, lubricating-oil, and rubber tires purchased by all Departments of the Government from the Shell Oil Co. throughout the Kaslo-Slocan Riding during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941.

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

1. How much money has been spent on the Hope-Princeton Road since March, 1937, to the present time?

2. Has the Department figures as to approximate cost of completing this road?

3. If yes, how much?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:----

"1. \$42,735.85.

"2. Yes.

"3. 24-foot road-bed, \$1,540,000."

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

What was the total amount of purchases of Government supplies by the Department of Public Works from F. Rushton, of Nakusp, during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:---

"1940, \$7,822.67; 1941, \$1,601.80."

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

1. What is the total cost of fuel supplied to the Government building at New Denver for the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941?

2. By whom was the fuel supplied?

3. Were tenders called for this fuel?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows :---

"1. 1940, \$196; 1941, \$208.75.

"2. New Denver Transfer Co.

"3. No."

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

How much money was spent on each of the following sections of the Southern Trans-Provincial Highway in 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, and 1941, respectively: (a) Kaleden Cut-off to Hedley, (b) Hedley to Princeton?

"1937-38: (a) \$4,286.98, (b) \$13,619.13; 1938-39: (a) \$6,575.75, (b) \$14,495.06; 1939-40: (a) \$10,762.80, (b) \$13,142.26; 1940-41: (a) \$6,056.89, (b) \$4,123.24; 1941-42 (to date): (a) \$4,297.22, (b) \$4,436.73."

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

1. On what date did work of reconstruction of Malahat Road between Miles 21 and 23 commence?

2. Was such work interrupted by Government action?

3. When was work recommenced?

4. What was the estimate of the Department as to the time required to complete? 5. Is work being carried on at the present time on force account?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows :---

"1. June 2nd, 1941.

"2. Yes.

"3. September 15th, 1941.

"4. Five months.

"5. No."

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

What was the total amount of purchases from the Shell Oil Co., Ltd., Nakusp agency, during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:-

"1940, \$2,669.19; 1941, \$5,220.76."

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

What was the total amount of purchases from the A.L. Supply Co., Nakusp, during the years ended December 31st, 1940, and December 31st, 1941?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:— "1940, \$4.53: 1941, Nil."

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 5.10 p.m.

Friday, February 6th, 1942.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

87. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$87,590 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1943.

88. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,030 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1943.

89. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,190 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,025 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Trade-schools Regulation Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

91. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,620 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Safety Branch, Lumber Industry, to 31st March, 1943.

92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Branch, to 31st March, 1943.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Unemployment Relief Fund, to 31st March, 1943.

93A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$711,529.86 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, War Cost-of-living Bonus to Old-age Pensioners, to 31st March, 1943.

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 'Teachers' Pensions Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 5th, 1942.

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. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions 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. *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 'Civil Service Superannuation Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 4th, 1942.

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. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Super-annuation 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. *Pearson* presented a Return in reply to the following question standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. H. E. Winch:—

In the Provincial election held on October 21st, 1941: (a.) What was the cost of enumeration of voters? (b.) What was the cost of taking the soldiers' vote? (c.) What was the total cost of the election?

Mr. Eyres asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:-

1. How many were employed by the Department on December 31st, 1937?

2. How many of these were returned soldiers?

3. How many are employed by the Agricultural Department at the present time?

4. How many of these are returned soldiers?

5. How many soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignation in the Agricultural Department since December 31st, 1937?

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

- "1. Forty-nine males and eighteen females.
- "2. Sixteen.
- "3. Fifty-two males and eighteen females.
- "4. Sixteen.
- "5. None."

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 11.12 p.m.

Monday, February 9th, 1942.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. James Hood.

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

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Iron and Steel Bounties Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1939,'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-schools Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle 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. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

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

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

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act conferring Power upon Municipalities to take Precautions against Hostile Attack."

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act."

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Superannuation Act."

By leave of the House, Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,' standing on the Order Paper for second reading, was withdrawn, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,112 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1943.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$51,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Libraries, to 31st March, 1943.

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128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1943.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,195 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, 1943.

132. *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, 1943.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,645 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1943.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,000 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, 1943.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Schedule Bond, to 31st March, 1943.

136. *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, 1943.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

138. *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, 1943.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$90,625 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Administration, to 31st March, 1943.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,060 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Collections Office, to 31st March, 1943.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,777.04 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Welfare Branch (including Administration of "Mothers' Allowances Act"), to 31st March, 1943.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, In Aid of Destitute Poor and Sick, to 31st March, 1943.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1943.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,291,990 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Hospitals, to 31st March, 1943.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,675 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, Division of Laboratories (Institute of Preventive Medicine), to 31st March, 1943.

148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$43,525 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, Vital Statistics Division, to 31st March, 1943.

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149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$619,011.82 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, Division of Tuberculosis Control, to 31st March, 1943.

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 make Provision for Advance Planning of Rehabilitation Measures, Industrial Reorganization, and Employment Projects designed to meet Post-war Conditions," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 7th, 1942.

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 make Provision for Advance Planning of Rehabilitation Measures, Industrial Reorganization, and Employment Projects designed to meet Post-war Conditions," 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. *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 authorize and implement an Agreement between the Dominion and the Province," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, February 7th, 1942.

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. 74) intituled "An Act to authorize and implement an Agreement between the Dominion and 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. Leary asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:----

1. Is there a Mining Recorder for the Arrow Lakes Mining Division in the Kaslo-Slocan Riding residing in Nakusp?

2. If yes, when was he appointed?

3. What remuneration does he receive from all Departments of the Government?

4. What revenue does the Government derive from his services?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

"1. Yes.

"2. July 1st, 1934.

"3. Remuneration for the fiscal year 1940-41: As Mining Recorder, \$420; as janitor, \$120; as District Registrar of Vital Statistics, \$17.25; as collector of sundry licence fees, \$152.32; total, \$709.57.

"4. Revenue for the fiscal year 1940-41: Mining, \$66.75; vital statistics, \$11; sundry licences, \$1,523.20; total, \$1,600.95."

Mrs. *MacInnis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following question:-

What was the percentage rise in the cost of living in British Columbia between August 31st, 1939, and August 31st, 1941?

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

"Percentage increase, 16.6."

Mr. Shepherd asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

1. When was the last inspection made of housing conditions in hop-fields in the Fraser Valley?

2. Will the report be filed during the present Session?

The Hon. Mr. Pearson replied as follows:-

"1. September, 1941.

"2. No."

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

1. What amount of money has been spent on the main Okanagan Highway from Peachland to Westbank in the South Okanagan constituency during the year 1938?

2. What amount of money has been spent on the main Okanagan Highway from Peachland to Westbank in the South Okanagan constituency during the year 1939?

3. What amount of money has been spent on the main Okanagan Highway from Peachland to Westbank in the South Okanagan constituency during the year 1940?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:---

"1, 2, and 3. Departmental records do not show segregated expenditure of section of Okanagan Highway from Peachland to Westbank. The following expenditures cover Okanagan Highway, Peachland to Westbank Ferry, including snow-removal and bituminous surfacing: 1938, \$5,656; 1939, \$9,882; 1940, \$11,232."

Mr. Lefeaux asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:---

1. What is the approximate daily expense to the Province of the Commission presided over by His Honour Judge Harper, inquiring into operations under the "Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act"?

2. What are the principal expense items?

3. How many days has the Commission been sitting?

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

"1. Payment of expenses of the Commission inquiring into operations of Marketing Boards under the 'Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act' is not made through the Department of Agriculture; question should be directed to the Department of the Provincial Secretary.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Has the Department of Public Works a contract with any person or persons to operate a ferry across the Fraser River between Ladner and Woodward Landing?

2. If so, with whom?

3. When was the last contract let?

4. For how long a period?

5. Is any subsidy paid by the Department?

6. If so, how much per annum?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:---

"1. Yes.

"2. Acme Operating Co., Ltd., New Westminster, B.C.

"3. October 1st, 1937 (see explanatory note).

"4. Five years (see explanatory note).

"5. Yes (see explanatory note).

"6. \$1,200 per annum (see explanatory note).

"NOTE.—In July, 1940, representations were made by several public bodies requesting a more adequate service and that the schedule under the present charter—namely, summer, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. (half-hourly service); winter, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (hourly service)—should be amended to read: Summer, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. (half-hourly service); winter, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (half-hourly service).

"According to the charter the summer schedule applies from June 1st to September 4th (three months), and the winter schedule from September 5th to May 31st (nine months).

"Following investigation it was considered advisable to try out the additional service for a month or two, commencing September, 1940. Subsequent statistical data indicated that such service could not very well be terminated without much inconvenience to the travelling public; 425 additional trips became necessary, per month, for which service the ferry company requested a monthly allowance of \$650. This request, upon investigation, was found to be reasonable.

"The new service was therefore costing the Department the amount of the original charter (i.e., \$1,200) plus nine months at \$650 per month, \$5,850, or a total of \$7,050 per year.

"After further consideration, with a view to reducing the cost of this ferry operation, the ferry company approached the Department with the suggestion that in lieu of the optional renewal of their charter for a further period of five years as from date of expiry, October, 1942, the original and extended services be carried out for the sum of \$5,000 per annum. This offer was accepted and approved by Order in Council No. 1600, dated November 4th, 1941.

"A new charter cannot be issued until the expiration of the existing charter, on October 1st next. Consequently the last contract was let on October 1st, 1937, as indicated."

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

1. Was any tug rented on the Arrow Lakes during the year 1941?

2. If so, from whom, at what rate, and for what purpose?

The Hon. Mr. Anscomb (Minister of Mines) replied as follows:----

"1. Yes.

"2. Waldie & Sons, Castlegar; \$8 per hour; steam-tug, towing Needles ferry to Castlegar and return. John Robbins, East Arrow Park; \$1 per hour; motor-boat, operating Needles ferry during breakdown. Big Bend Cedar Pole Company, Nakusp; \$4.70 per hour; Diesel tug, hauling machinery from Nakusp to Galena Bay and return. Big Bend Cedar Pole Company, Nakusp; \$4 per hour; Diesel tug, towing barge from Nakusp to Needles and return and operating Needles ferry during absence of regular ferry." *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 5.50 p.m.

Monday, February 9th, 1942.

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.)

85. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$21,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries to 31st March, 1943.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$174,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Child Welfare Branch (including Administration of "Infants Act"), to 31st March, 1943.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$163,002 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, Office of the Secretary, to 31st March, 1943.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,095 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1943.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$82,156 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, Division of Venereal Disease Control, to 31st March, 1943.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,217,184 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1943.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,400.20 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1943.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Industrial Schools, to 31st March, 1943.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,694.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Infirmaries (formerly Provincial Infirmary, Marpole), to 31st March, 1943.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,424 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Home for the Aged, to 31st March, 1943.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Special Health and Welfare Services, to 31st March, 1943.

157. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, In Aid of Resident Physicians, Medical Aid, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Grants to Charitable Associations, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Grant from the Crown in Aid of Organization under the "Health Insurance Act," to 31st March, 1943.

160. *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, 1943.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$334,243 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1943.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$191,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1943.

163. *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, 1943.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,119,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1943.

165. *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, 1943.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$427,634 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, 1943.

167. *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, 1943.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, to 31st March, 1943.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,842 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1943.

170. *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, 1943.

94. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,645 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1943.

95. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$474,087 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Salaries, to 31st March, 1943.

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

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act."

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 11.50 p.m.