
Friday, 17th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. D. Barber*.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented a Petition from *James Dunsmuir* and others, opposing certain provisions in Private Bill to amend the Victoria City Map Act.
Laid on the table.

Pursuant to Order, Resolutions 1 to 242, both inclusive, for the year ending 30th June, 1894, and numbers 4A, 6, 10, 20, 27, 30, 36, 37, 65, 85, 96, 97, 114A, 114B, 118, 119, 120, 124, 139, 141, 144F, 144G, 144H, 144I, 144J, 144K, 144L, 144M, 145, 146, 153, 156, 157, 159, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 169, 170, 185, 186D, 186E, 187, 188, 189, 195, 208, 222, 225A, 225B, 225C, 225D, 225E, 225F, 225G, 225I, 225J, for the year ending 30th June, 1893, adopted in Committee of Supply on 16th March, inst., were reported and received.

The Resolutions were read a first time, read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting Settled Estates," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for next sitting of the House.

The adjourned debate on the motion moved on 3rd March by Mr. *McKenzie*,—

"That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Fletcher*, *Stoddart*, *Semlin*, *Anderson*, and the mover, be appointed to investigate the case of *John Biggs*, of *Nanaimo*, in the matter of the seizure of his cattle in 1879, by the Sheriff of *Nanaimo*; with power to call for persons and papers, and report thereon to the House," was resumed.

The motion was negatived.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was committed, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was again committed, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was discharged.

The Order to resume the adjourned debate on the motion of the Hon. Attorney-General, moved on 6th February, to amend Rule 50 of the Rules and Orders of the House, was discharged.

The Report on Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act,'" was considered.

Section 2 was amended by striking out of line one the word "said," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages."

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Health," was again committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for Monday next.

Bill (No 17) intituled "An Act to secure uniform conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," was committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for Monday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:59 o'clock, p. m.

Monday, 20th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. White*.

The Petition from *James Dunsmuir* and others, opposing certain provisions in Private Bill to amend the Victoria City Map Act, was read and received and *Ordered* to be printed.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Companies Acts.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries Appointment Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Brown*, seconded by Mr. *Kitchen*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing for what land, expropriated for public purposes (*see* vote No. 144r in Supplementary Estimates for year ending 30th June, 1893), the sum of \$38,215 has been paid, showing the number of lots or parcels of land, description, measurement, and assessed value, on the last revised assessment roll of *Victoria City*, of each lot or parcel, the price paid for each lot, and the name of the person from whom it was purchased.

On the motion of Mr. *McKenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Sword*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that he will cause to be sent down to this House a Return of all papers and correspondence, not already printed, which have passed between Captain *William Moore* and the late Provincial Secretary, and any member of the Executive Council, with reference to trails, roads, &c., in the *Yukon District* and the northern portion of the Province; also, of all communications that have passed between *R. H. Hall*, Esq., M. P. P., and the members of the Government with reference to the extension of the Hudson's Bay Company's trail from the head of the *Lava Beds* at *Taltan* to *Egnell Creek*.

Mr. *McKenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Punch*—

That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Smith, Grant, Rogers, Watt* and the mover be appointed to enquire into the management of the *Gauvreau* Expedition last summer, and to ascertain the cost and full particulars of the same, with power to call for persons and papers and to report to this House.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* presented a Return of all applications for the creation of new School Districts, with the number of school children in each such proposed School District, the number of applicants in each case, and where any application has met with refusal the reason for such refusal; the Return to cover the period commencing 1st January, 1892, to the present date.

On the motion of Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *McKenzie*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the sums which have been paid to date amongst the items mentioned in the Supplementary Estimates, 1892-1893, as placed before the Legislature.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by Mr. *Semlin*—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be sent down to this House copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence and telegrams relating to the summary dismissal by the Attorney-General of Dr. *W. Reinhard* from the position as surgeon of the *Cariboo Hospital*, and the appointment of Dr. *Tunstall, Jun.*, in his place.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Semlin,
Grant,
McKenzie,

Sword,
Kitchen,

Milne,
Beaven,

Brown,
Keith—9.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Punch,
Cotton,
Horne,
Smith,
Watt,

Baker,
Davie,
Vernon,
Stoddart,
Booth,

Hall,
Nason,
Pooley,
Turner,
Martin,

Croft,
Hunter,
Rogers,
Anderson,
Fletcher—20.

Mr. *Punch* moved, seconded by Mr. *Watt*—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to move the Dominion Government to increase the per capita tax on Chinese coming into this country to one hundred dollars, and also to give to this Province at least seventy-five per cent. of the said tax.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. *Punch* asked the Honourable the Attorney-General the following questions:—

Has there been any correspondence between the Provincial Government and the Government of the Dominion with respect to the inland fisheries of British Columbia?

Have any steps been taken to establish the claims of the Province (if any) to control said inland fisheries?

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* replied as follows:—

“The matter was one of the subjects discussed upon the occasion of my recent visit to Ottawa.

“It has been arranged that the question of jurisdiction, as between the Dominion and Province respectively, shall be referred to the Supreme Court of Canada for decision.”

Mr. *Sword* asked the Honourable the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What is the amount of taxes assessed for the year 1893 in the districts for which the Assessment Rolls have been returned to the Treasury, under the headings Real Property Tax, Wild Land Tax, and Personal Property Tax?

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

| DISTRICTS. | Real Property Tax. | Personal Property Tax. | Wild Land Tax. | Total. |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Victoria City District | | \$38,430 00 | | \$38,430 00 |
| Victoria District | \$14,325 00 | 521 00 | \$1,560 00 | 16,406 00 |
| Esquimalt District | 9,358 00 | 407 00 | 2,184 00 | 11,949 00 |
| Cowichan District | 1,742 00 | 688 00 | 3,878 00 | 6,308 00 |
| Islands District | 1,514 00 | 94 00 | 131 00 | 1,739 00 |
| Nanaimo City District | | 2,575 00 | | 2,575 00 |
| Nanaimo District | 6,103 00 | 2,560 00 | 2,674 00 | 11,337 00 |
| Alberni District | 733 00 | 31 00 | 4,717 00 | 5,481 00 |
| Comox District | 2,103 00 | 444 00 | 9,464 00 | 12,011 00 |
| New Westminster City District | | 15,062 00 | | 15,062 00 |
| New Westminster District | 6,817 00 | 3,663 00 | 10,861 00 | 21,341 00 |
| Vancouver City District | | 14,516 00 | | 14,516 00 |
| Yale District | 19,045 00 | 4,036 00 | 3,292 00 | 26,373 00 |
| Lillooet District | 3,077 00 | 1,345 00 | 2,126 00 | 7,548 00 |
| Cariboo District | 1,057 00 | 932 00 | 4 00 | 1,993 00 |
| East Kootenay District | 1,615 00 | 545 00 | 2,525 00 | 4,685 00 |
| West Kootenay District | 4,483 00 | 1,116 00 | 3,800 00 | 9,399 00 |
| Cassiar District | 6 50 | 106 00 | | 112 50 |
| Coast (see note) * | 2,106 00 | 665 00 | 15,898 00 | 18,669 00 |

“*NOTE.—The assessment under Coast embodies a part of New Westminster and Cassiar Districts for land and property on the seaboard.

“MEMO.—The assessed taxes on the C. P. Railway and S. O. Railway are not included in the above, which together amount to \$16,978.00.”

Mr. *McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Who destroyed the Latin Examination Papers sent to the Education Office by the Pupils of the Third Division of the *Victoria High School* in June, 1891?
2. By whose orders were they destroyed?
3. When were they destroyed (give year, month, and day)?
4. For what purpose were they destroyed?
5. Why was not special care taken to preserve the Latin papers when the accuracy of the marking was and still is in dispute?
6. Is it a rule of the Department of Education to refuse to show to Principals of High Schools the examination papers of pupils for whose progress they are held responsible?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows:—

“Answer to question (1).—It is not known by any official of the Department.

“Answer to question (2).—No orders were given for their destruction.

“Answer to question (3).—It is not known by any official of the Department.

“Answer to question (4).—It is not known; probably for lighting fires.

“Answer to question (5).—It had not been the practice of the Department to preserve examination papers of schools for any particular period.

“Answer to question (6).—It is not the practice of the Department to allow principals of schools, nor anyone else, to supervise the work of examinations held by the Department.”

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* moved—That Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments,” be read a second time now.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:40 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 21st March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. White*.

Mr. *Kitchen* presented a Petition from certain land-owners of *Pitt Meadows*, supporting passage of Bill to amend the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Act.

Laid on the table.

Mr. *Kellie* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the claims of certain applicants to purchase land near the mouth of *Carpenter Creek*.

The Report was received, together with the evidence accompanying the same.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. *Milne* asked the Honourable the Provincial Secretary the following question :—

Has there been any correspondence during the past year between the Provincial Government and Her Majesty's Government, relative to the transferring colonies of fishermen and their families to this Province?

If so, what is the nature of such correspondence?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows :—

“Yes. The Government received from the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury a Minute of the Board relative to the scheme for establishing Scotch Crofter families in British Columbia, and the conditions applicable to the advance of the Imperial Loan under the B. C. Loan Act of 1892, to which the Government replied, accepting the terms of the Treasury Minute, subject to certain variations and to an amendment that the operations under the Loan Act should not be limited to the Crofter parishes of Scotland, but that it should be open to the Provincial Government to include families from other portions of the United Kingdom among the Colonists to be transferred to this Province.”

Mr. *Milne* asked the Honourable the Provincial Secretary the following question :—

Has there been any correspondence during the past year between the Provincial Government and the “Vancouver Island Development Syndicate, Limited,” in reference to the settlement of Colonists in this Province?

If so, what was the nature and substance of such correspondence?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows :—

“Yes. The Government entered into an agreement with the Syndicate, as provided for in section one of the ‘Deep Sea Fisheries Act, 1892,’ and also extended the time for the formation of the Commercial Company to the 31st day of December, 1893, under the authority of section six of the said Act, subject to the condition that the lands referred to in the Schedule to the Act be thrown open to pre-emption.”

Pursuant to Order, the adjourned debate on the motion—“That §Bill (No. 55) intituled ‘An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments,’ be read a second time now,” was resumed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Debate resumed.

Bill read a second time on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Grant,
Punch,
Kellie,
Milne,
Beaven,
Smith,

Watt,
Baker,
Davie,
Vernon,
Eberts,

Booth,
Hall,
Nason,
Pooley,
Turner,

Croft,
Hunter,
Rogers,
Anderson,
Fletcher—21.

NAYS :

Messieurs

| | | | |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| <i>Semlin,</i> | <i>Kitchen,</i> | <i>Brown,</i> | <i>Stoddart,</i> |
| <i>McKenzie,</i> | <i>Cotton,</i> | <i>Forster,</i> | <i>Martin—11.</i> |
| <i>Sword,</i> | <i>Horne,</i> | <i>Keith,</i> | |

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Mr. *Beaven* presented a Petition from *Thomas Shotbolt* and others, in favour of the passage of the Victoria Official Map Act.

Laid on the table.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10:35 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 22nd March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. White*.

The Petition from certain land-owners of *Pitt Meadows*, supporting passage of Bill to amend the Drainage, Dyking, and Irrigation Act, was received and *Ordered* to be printed.

The Petition from *Thomas Shotbolt* and others, in favour of the passage of the Victoria Official Map Act, was received and *Ordered* to be printed, and to be considered with the Bill referred to in Committee of the Whole

The Hon. Mr. *Vernon* presented a Return showing the lands expropriated for public purposes (under Vote 144F of the Supplementary Estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1893), the assessed values thereof, and the prices paid for the same.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* presented a Return of Special Warrants, signed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the expenditure incurred thereon, between 1st March, 1892, and 28th February, 1893, required by the "Revenue Act," chap. 102, sec. 42.

The Hon. Mr. *Vernon* presented a Return showing the section of the Act under which the land was purchased, the numerals of the Crown grant (if any), the name, acreage, price per acre, and district from which the sum of \$213,519.41 has been received at the Treasury from the sale of Crown Lands for the fiscal year 1891-92.

On the motion of Mr. *McKenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Milne*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor requesting that he will cause to be sent down to this House a Return showing :—

1st. The roads, streets, bridges, and wharves within the municipality of *North Cowichan* that have been built or repaired out of the general appropriations for *Cowichan District* for the year ending 30th June, 1893 (Vote No. 157).

2nd. The amount so spent.

3rd. The amount (if any) spent under the direction of the Municipal Council of *North Cowichan*.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to create the Roman Catholic Bishop of New Westminster, and his successors in office, a Corporation Sole," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886,' and amendments thereto," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Lardeau and Kootenay Railway Company," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster," was adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company Act, 1891,'" was adopted.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kootenay, Lake Shore and Lardo Railway Company," was again committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting the Official Map of the City of Victoria, and Subdivisions of Lands within the Boundaries of the said City," was again committed, with Mr. *Anderson* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Nelson Electric Light Company's Incorporation Act, 1892,'" was committed, with Mr. *McKenzie* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Vancouver, British Columbia," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to Incorporate British Columbia College," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Osoyoos and Okanagan Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Bedlington and West Kootenay Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay Central Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to Incorporate Whetham College," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to remove doubts concerning the validity of certain Conveyances of Land," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Pacific Telephone and Cable Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Upon the motion—"That Bill (No. 44) intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Kaslo and Slocan Tramway Company,' be read a second time,"

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:50 o'clock, p. m.

 Thursday, 23rd March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. White*.

Mr. *Martin* presented a Petition from *W. W. Gibbs* and others, settlers of *Grand Prairie, Kettle River*, asking for the appointment of a Mining Recorder.

Ruled out of order.

Mr. *McKenzie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock, and Railway Lands of the Province.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Stoddart* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the question of the protection of winter cattle ranges and the desirability of defining certain boundaries in which sheep may be depastured, as follows :—

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Committee beg respectfully to report as follows :—

That we have held three sessions and taken the evidence of various stock-holders interested, and have arrived at the following conclusions, viz :

To recommend to this House the re-enactment of the Act of 1879, entitled "An Act to protect the Winter Stock Ranges," with certain amendments.

The amendments recommended are as follows :—

To strike out the word "winter" in the title.

To insert in clause one, after the word "division," "or divisions."

In clause two, to strike out the word "male."

D. A. STODDART,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Mr. *Kellie* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the claims to lands at *Carpenter Creek* and *Slocan Lake*, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
March 23rd, 1893.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Committee appointed to enquire into the claims of certain applicants to purchase land at the head of Slocan Lake, beg leave to report as follows :—

That a Reserve was put on all Crown lands surrounding Slocan Lake on December 31st, 1891.

That the Reserve was cancelled on March 17th, 1892, except 640 acres of land at mouth of Carpenter Creek, and a similar section at the mouth of the river or creek flowing into Slocan Lake, at its north-west end.

That E. C. Arthur applied on October 31st, 1891, to purchase 160 acres, more or less, at the head of Slocan Lake, and that a portion of said land applied for by E. C. Arthur is contained in the Reserve at the head of Slocan Lake.

J. M. KELLIE,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting Real Property in the Province of British Columbia," with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Committee rise and report the Bill to the House.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the report was received and adopted.

Upon the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting Real Property in the Province of British Columbia," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," was considered.

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

" . The provisions of this Act shall not apply to land within the limits of an incorporated municipality until brought into force by by-law."

Negatived.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 4, in line 2, by striking out "and" and inserting "or."

Carried.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 4, in line 6, by inserting between "recovered" and "by," the words "on summary conviction."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved the following as a new section:—

"The provisions of this Act shall not apply to land within the limits of an incorporated city municipality."

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Grant,
Sword,

Punch,
Milne,

Beaven,
Davie,

Eberts—7.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Semlin,
McKenzie,
Kitchen,
Cotton,
Horne,
Smith,

Brown,
Forster,
Keith,
Watt,
Baker,
Vernon,

Stoddart,
Booth,
Nason,
Pooley,
Turner,

Martin,
Croft,
Hunter,
Rogers,
Anderson—22.

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,'" was discharged.

The adjourned debate on the motion of Mr. *McKenzie* (20th March) for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the management of the *Gauvreau* Expedition last summer, and to ascertain the cost and full particulars of the same, was resumed.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

*Semlin,
Beaven,*

Grant,

McKenzie,

Forster—5.

NAYS:

Messieurs

*Baker,
Davie,
Vernon,
Stoddart,*

*Brown,
Hall,
Nason,
Fletcher,*

*Anderson,
Rogers,
Turner,
Horne,*

*Smith,
Cotton,
Punch,
Kitchen—16.*

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments," was committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'County Courts Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Sword* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:47 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 24th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. White*.

The Report on Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Destitute Persons," was again committed, with Mr. *Forster* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
24th March, 1893.*

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Health," was again committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Leave granted for Monday next.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to secure uniform conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," was again committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete, with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Railway Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Watt* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered on Monday next.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to abolish priority among Execution Creditors," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries Appointment Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Upon the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads," being called—

Mr. *Beaven* moved that the Order be discharged and the Bill re-committed, for the purpose of inserting as a new clause the following:—

"This Act shall not apply to the City of Victoria."

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Grant,
McKenzie,

Milne,

Beaven,

Eberts—5.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Kitchen,
Cotton,
Kellie,
Horne,

Smith,
Forster,
Watt,

Baker,
Vernon,
Stoddart,

Nason,
Turner,
Fletcher—13.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10:20 o'clock, p. m.

Monday, 27th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Scriven*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of 24th March, enclosing Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway," with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Committee rise and report to the House a Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Resolution was reported, received and adopted.

Upon the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act, 1891.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' and amending Acts."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Smith* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to protect Stock Ranges."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Anderson* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horticultural Board Act, 1892.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Martin*, seconded by Mr. *Hunter*, it was *Resolved*,—

That whereas the present monthly mail service between *Nicola* and *Granite Creek* does not meet the requirements of the *Yale District* and the Province generally, and a more frequent mail service between the said places is desirable and necessary ;

Be it therefore *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will recommend to the Dominion Government the expediency of changing the said service to a fortnightly or a more frequent service.

Mr. *Kellie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rogers*,—

That the Reports of the Select Committee (on March 21st and 23rd) appointed to enquire into the claims of certain applicants to purchase land at the mouth of *Carpenter Creek*, and at the head of *Slocan Lake*, be adopted.

Carried on division.

Mr. *Beaven* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to repeal sections 2, 3, 6, and 9 of the 'Health Act,' chap. 55 vol. 1, 'Consolidated Acts, 1888.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

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

What amount has been paid during the year 1892 for the destruction of Coyotes by the Government Agents throughout the country.

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

"\$142.50."

Mr. *Milne* asked the Honourable the Minister of Education the following questions :—

1. Did the Superintendent of Education, or the Victoria Board of School Trustees, or any person or persons, make charges of "gross insubordination" and "unprofessional conduct," or any charges, against *J. P. McLeod*, before the date of the meeting of the Council of Public Instruction at which he was found guilty? If so, will particulars of such charges be given?

2. If such charges were made, was a copy of them served on him before the date of the meeting?

3. Was he summoned to the said meeting to answer any charges against him, or was he summoned to give evidence as a witness?

4. If he was summoned as a witness, was he found guilty of the offences above named?

5. How long did his oral examination before the Council last?

6. During what portion of this time was he giving evidence, and during what portion was he on trial?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows :—

"In answer to all the Honourable gentleman's questions, I may state that I was not Minister of Education at the period he mentions, and I refer him to the papers on the subject of his questions, which I herewith lay before the House :—

"At a meeting of the Council of Public Instruction held on the 27th of November, 1891, for the investigation of the charges preferred by the Board of School Trustees of Victoria

against the Education Department, as contained in the resolution of the Board at a meeting held on the 1st September, ult., and as repeated in a resolution passed by the Board at a meeting held on the 20th of October, ult., to the effect following, viz.:—

“That it was found by the Board on unimpeachable evidence that the schools had been unsatisfactorily examined and badly graded; that practices existed calculated to cast reflections on high grade teachers; and, generally, that the progress of education was retarded by methods lately adopted in examining and grading schools.”

“The Council was, upon request, furnished with a copy of the evidence referred to as that upon which their charges were based. Such evidence was found to consist of the statements of Messrs. J. P. McLeod and S. B. Netherby in reply to questions put to them by members of the Board, the statement of Mr. McLeod being supplementary to his letter following:—

“VICTORIA, July 27th, 1891.

“SIR,—The last examination for promotion in the High School was conducted by the Department of Education some three or four weeks before the end of the term. The papers were set by the Department, the returns of the examinations were made out by the Department, and their correctness is certified to by the Superintendent of Education. The promotions were made by the Superintendent, and were based on the marks obtained by the pupils at the examination.

“In this the Superintendent violated two of his own rules, viz.:—

“(1.) That the Principal of a school must prepare the questions for the promotion examinations.

“(2.) That promotions are made by the Principal, with the approval of the Superintendent of Education.

“The Superintendent has the right to hold any examination he may think proper to hold in any school in British Columbia, but I maintain that if he sees fit to deprive me of the power of promoting he has no authority to confer that power on other teachers in Victoria, be they in or out of the High School. The examination above referred to was not a promotion examination at all.

“To explain: The pupils of the third division received instructions in fifteen (15) subjects. Although they had been attending the school for only five months, yet in eleven out of the fifteen subjects they were examined on precisely the same questions as were pupils of the first division who had been attending the school for years.

“The Latin papers given in by the pupils of the third division could not have been examined. No manipulations of marks could have produced such extraordinary results.

“As my action in bringing this and other matters to the notice of the Board of Trustees has been criticized, I wish to state that I am not aware of any other Board or body of men that has been specially constituted to look after the schools of the City of Victoria.

“I am, Sir,

“Your obedient servant,

(Signed) “J. P. McLEOD.

“R. Erskine, Esq.,

“Secretary Board of Trustees.”

“The Council having heard Mr. McLeod in substantiation of his charges, and the other witnesses in relation thereto, finds:—

“1. That the rules made by the Superintendent apply to the Principals of Graded Schools, and not to the Principals of High Schools, who are otherwise regulated.

“2. That the Superintendent did not, and could not, deprive Mr. McLeod of the power of promoting and inconsistently with such action confer it upon other teachers, inasmuch as such power is not conferred upon Principals of High Schools, but is and has been exercised solely by the Department of Education, and in such manner and through such agents as its discretion dictates.

“3. That the course pursued by the Department at the last promotion examination of setting the same papers on eleven subjects to all three divisions of the High School is a proper, reasonable, and just one, inasmuch as the subjects upon which such papers were set belong to the elementary English branches, upon which pupils are examined for entrance to the High School, and as a practice in accordance with the same principle obtains and has been found to work no injustice in the examination of candidates for teachers' certificates, applicants for all grades of certificates taking the same papers in these eleven subjects.

"4. That the Latin papers given in by pupils of the third division were marked by Mr. Netherby, a competent examiner, and the awards made by him separately reviewed, upon the request of the Department, by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, M.A. (Oxon), Mr. D. Wilson, B.A., and Mr. Jno. Anderson, B.A., who all concur in certifying to their general correctness.

"5. That no remediable defects were shown to exist in the method of grading the schools adopted by the Department, nor in the results of such method, nor was any alteration suggested or (except in the case of Mr. McLeod) deemed necessary by the witnesses who appeared before the Council.

"The Council therefore concludes that Mr. McLeod has failed to substantiate any of the statements made by him in his letter to the Trustees, and reiterated on his appearance before that body.

"The Council also concludes that the charges made by the Board of Trustees in their two resolutions aforesaid have not been supported, or in the slightest degree proved, by the evidence which was laid before them, but on the contrary the administration by the Education Department of the School Act, and the methods which they have adopted, which have been but slightly modified during recent years, is not open to any of the above charges, or to the further charge of tending in the case of Victoria 'to nullify the effects of the expenditure of much money and of the efforts of the teaching ability of the city.'

"The Council further finds that Mr. McLeod has been guilty of gross insubordination and unprofessional conduct in the following particulars:—

"(1.) In making unfounded representation in regard to school matters and management to the Board of School Trustees.

"(2.) In misrepresenting the actions of the Education Department in the public press; and

"(3.) In refusing to answer questions put to him before the Council, or to there produce information which he alleged is in his possession, which would prove the charges he had made, or to otherwise substantiate such charges.

"In view of the circumstances of the case, the Council of Public Instruction recommends that Mr. McLeod be called upon to furnish a full and complete retraction of the unfounded statements herein alluded to within one week from the time of a copy of this Report being delivered to him."

The Report on Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to secure uniform conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," was considered.

Section 19 of the Schedule was amended as follows:—

First line, between "giving" and "notice," interline "written." Line 4, between "notice" and "personal," interline "five days." Line 4, strike out the words "five days' notice."

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'County Courts Act,'" was considered.

Section 8 was amended by striking out the word "seven," in the first line, and substituting the word "nine."

The following new sections were added:—

16. Section 2 of the "County Courts Amendment Act, 1892," is hereby amended by striking out the words "one hundred" wherever they occur in said section, and by substituting therefor the word "fifty," and by inserting the word "final" between the words "all" and "judgments," in the seventh line of said section, and by striking out the words "whether final or interlocutory," in the eighth line of said section, and substituting therefor the words "or from an order granting leave to sign final judgment."

17. Section 3 of the "County Courts Amendment Act, 1892," is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:—

"3. Such appeals shall be limited to some question of law or the admission or rejection of any evidence, or for misdirection, and the Statutes, Rules and Orders applicable to appeals in the Supreme Court to a Divisional Court thereof shall apply to and govern such appeals."

To alter numbering of subsequent sections correspondingly.

23. (1.) A Barrister of at least three years' standing at the Bar of British Columbia may be appointed to be Deputy Judge for the County Court District.

(2.) The appointment may be made notwithstanding that the office of Judge is vacant by death or resignation, or that the Judge is ill or absent at the time of the appointment of such Deputy Judge.

24. Every Deputy Judge shall hold office during pleasure, and in case of the death, illness or absence of the Judge, shall have authority to perform in the place of the Judge, in the County Court District for which he is Deputy, all the duties of and incident to the office of Judge of the County Court, and all acts required or allowed to be done by the Judge of the County Court under this or any other Statute.

25. No Deputy Judge shall be disabled from practising the profession of the law while holding his appointment.

26. Section 12 of the "County Courts Act" is hereby amended by inserting after the word "be," in the sixth line thereof, the words "or before an acting Judge or Deputy Judge."

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Health," was again committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Sword* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," was committed, with Mr. *McKenzie* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered on Wednesday next.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* presented a Return of all correspondence in reference to the appointment of a Mining Recorder for the *Kettle River* Country.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Fletcher* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act' and amending Acts" was committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. *Beaven* presented a Petition from the Women's Christian Temperance Union and Independent Order of Good Templars (*re* Municipal Licensing Boards).

Received and *Ordered* to be considered in Committee of the Whole with Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892.'"

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Acts,'" was committed, with Mr. *Anderson* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Notaries, Appointment Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Keith* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Leave granted for to-morrow.

The Order to resume the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to abolish the Attachment of Wages," was discharged.

The Order to resume the adjourned debate on the motion of Mr. *Punch* (20th March) that a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to move the Dominion Government to increase the per capita tax on Chinese coming into this country to one hundred dollars, and also to give to this Province at least seventy-five per cent. of the said tax, was resumed, and *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker ruled that Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock, and Railway Lands of the Province,'" was out of order, and could not be proceeded with as it interfered with taxation.

The Order for the second reading of the Bill was then discharged.

Mr. Speaker *Higgins* gave the following decision relative to Bill No. 51 :—

A Bill introduced by the Hon. Member for New Westminster District (Mr. Kitchen), intituled "An Act respecting the Drainage, Dyking and Irrigation of Lands," is, in my opinion, beyond the powers of this Legislature, inasmuch as it proposes to deal with "lands vested in the Dominion Government"—section 15, sub-sections (b) and (c). Dominion lands are exempt from taxation until the title shall have passed.

Clauses of the Bill that do not deal with Dominion Lands are admissible, as legislation in the direction has already been permitted by the House, and the Bill, save in the sections above quoted, is a compilation or consolidation of existing Acts.

But it is impossible to separate one part of the Bill from another—to declare one part to be good and the other bad. The Bill, by reason of sub-sections (b) and (c), falls, and must be ruled out.

D. W. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Drainage, Dyking and Irrigation Act,' and amending Acts," was discharged.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Anglican Synod of New Westminster," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Nelson Electric Light Company Incorporation Act, 1892,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:50 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 28th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Scriven*.

Mr. *Smith* presented a Report from the Select Committee on Mining, as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Mining, after carefully considering the various views placed before it, recommend that the "Mineral Act, 1891," and the amending Act, 1892, be amended in accordance with the proposed provisions hereunto annexed.

A. W. SMITH,
Chairman.

MINERAL ACT.

Memo. showing steps to be taken to obtain a Crown Grant, if the Act is amended as proposed.

- (1.) Improvements to the extent of \$500 are to be made upon the claim.
- (2.) The claim is to be surveyed. The original field-notes to be sent direct by the Surveyor to the Lands and Works Department, and the copy to be handed to the owner.
- (3.) A notice of intention to apply for a certificate of improvement and a plat of the claim are to be posted upon some conspicuous part of the claim, and a copy of the notice is to be posted on the Mining Recorder's Office, and at the same time he shall deposit with the Mining Recorder a copy of the Surveyor's original field-notes and plat.
- (4.) Publish a notice of intention to apply for certificate of improvement in the Gazette and newspaper for sixty days.
- (5.) At the expiration of the sixty days he shall deposit with the Mining Recorder his affidavit in the Form H.
- (6.) If no adverse claims shall have been filed with the Mining Recorder during the period of publication, he (the Mining Recorder) shall forward to the Gold Commissioner the documents referred to above, under cover of Form J.
- (7.) Certificate of improvement issued by Gold Commissioner and recorded.
- (8.) Documents to be forwarded by the Gold Commissioner to Lands and Works Department, accompanied with a Crown grant fee of five dollars.

The way the "Mineral Act" reads at present, the applicant has to file a set of forms and the original field-notes with the Mining Recorder at the time or previous to the publication of his notice in the Gazette and newspaper for sixty days. *See* section 36, sub-sections (*d*), (*e*), and (*f*).

After the notice shall have been published for sixty days, he obtains from the Gold Commissioner a certificate of improvement—*i. e.*, providing there are no adverse claims. *See* Form F (Notice).

After he shall have obtained the certificate of improvement, he must file with the Mining Recorder a second set of forms and a copy of the field-notes, together with the certificate of improvement. *See* Form J.

The whole of the forms mentioned in the last preceding paragraph are then sent by the Mining Recorder to the Gold Commissioner, to be examined by him, and if found correct they are to be forwarded by him to the Lands and Works Department.

The Report was received.

The Report on Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Health," was considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved as an amendment to section 12, sub-section (10), to strike out in line two the word "city."

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved that the following words be added to sub-section (11) of section 12 :—
 “Provided, however, that no person shall be removed from any dwelling without the consent of the attending physician.”

Negatived.

Mr. *Brown* moved that the following be added as clause (a) to sub-section (11) of section 12 :—

“(a.) No person suffering from disease shall be removed, except by consent, from any house-occupied as a dwelling unless the situation or surroundings of such house render it impracticable efficiently to isolate the same.”

The motion was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Semlin,</i> | <i>Sword,</i> | <i>Beaven,</i> | <i>Keith—7.</i> |
| <i>McKenzie,</i> | <i>Kitchen,</i> | <i>Brown,</i> | |

NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Cotton,</i> | <i>Baker,</i> | <i>Booth,</i> | <i>Croft,</i> |
| <i>Milne,</i> | <i>Davie,</i> | <i>Nason,</i> | <i>Hunter,</i> |
| <i>Smith,</i> | <i>Vernon,</i> | <i>Turner,</i> | <i>Fletcher—14.</i> |
| <i>Watt,</i> | <i>Stoddart,</i> | | |

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to insert the following as section 21 of the Bill :—

“21. In case of actual or apprehended emergency, such possession may be taken without a prior agreement with the owner of the land or building and without his consent, and may be retained for such period as may appear to the Board, or officers who took possession thereof, to be necessary.”

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved the following :—

That sub-section (1) of section 27 be amended by striking out all the words after the word “adoption,” on line 6, and substituting therefor the words “so much of the plans in connection with such system as shall show, in the case of water-works, the source from which the supply of water is to be derived, and the arrangements for the intake; and in the case of sewerage works, the place and method of disposal of the sewage.”

Negatived.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to insert the following as clause 28 :—

“28. Where the Provincial Board of Health considers the appointment of a medical health officer necessary for any municipality, and requests the Council of any such municipality to appoint a medical health officer, the Council shall forthwith appoint a properly qualified medical practitioner to be medical health officer for the municipality.”

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. *Beaven* presented a Petition from the Grand Lodge of British Columbia of the Independent Order of Good Templars (*re* Municipal Licensing Boards).

Received and *Ordered* to be considered in Committee of the Whole with Bill (No. 34) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Act, 1892.’”

The Hon. Mr. *Vernon* presented a Return showing the expenditure of appropriations for *Cowichan District*, within the Municipality of *North Cowichan*.

The Report on Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Notaries’ Appointment Act,” was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to strike out “and,” in line nine of section 1, and substitute “nor,”

Carried.

The Report as amended adopted.
 Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Provincial Home for Destitute Persons," was again committed, with Mr. *Forster* in the Chair. The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments. Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to abolish priority among Execution Creditors," was committed, with Mr. *Smith* in the Chair. The Committee rose without report.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the law with respect to Mischievous Animals," was read a second time. *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting Real Property in the Province of British Columbia," was discharged.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway," was read a first time. *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horticultural Board Act, 1892,'" was read a second time. *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act, 1891,'" was read a second time. *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' and amending Acts," was read a second time. *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair. The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Leave granted for to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith to the Legislative Assembly a Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," and suggests its amendment by striking out all the words in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th lines of section 6, and by substituting therefor the words "one hundred and five thousand dollars, in seven equal annual payments of fifteen thousand dollars, to be payable on the 2nd of July in each of the seven years next after the completion of the said bridge."

Government House,
28th March, 1893.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Mr. *Brown* presented a Petition from the British Columbia Woman's Christian Temperance Union (*re* Municipal Licensing Boards).

Received and *Ordered* to be considered in Committee of the Whole with Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892.'"

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across Fraser River at New Westminster," with certain proposed amendments thereto, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Committee rise and report to the House the recommendation of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, that "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," be amended by striking out all the words in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th lines of section 6, and by substituting therefor the words "one hundred and five thousand dollars, in seven equal annual payments of fifteen thousand dollars, to be payable on the 2nd July in each of the seven years next after the construction of the said bridge."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Resolution was reported.
Report adopted.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to protect Stock Ranges," was read a second time.
Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The second reading of Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to repeal sections 2, 3, 6 and 9, of the 'Health Act,' Chap. 55, Vol. I., 'Consolidated Acts, 1888,'" was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Milne,

Beaven—2.

NAYS :

Messieurs

McKenzie,
Punch,
Kellie,
Smith,
Brown,

Watt,
Baker,
Davie,
Vernon,

Stoddart,
Booth,
Turner,
Martin

Croft,
Rogers,
Anderson,
Fletcher—17.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 29th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Scriven*.

On the motion of Mr. *Brown*, seconded by Mr. *McKenzie*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing all correspondence between the Department of Lands and Works and any person or persons, relating to the pre-empting of certain lands within the *McLaren-Koss Lumber Co.'s* timber limit on *Campbell River* and *Duncan's Bay, Vancouver Island*; also, all affidavits of persons who have filed records of pre-emption within the said limits, and the dates of such pre-emption records.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Vancouver, British Columbia," was committed, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting the Official Map of the City of Victoria and Subdivisions of Lands within the Boundaries of the said City," was again committed, with Mr. *Kellie* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the British Columbia College," was committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* presented additional papers relative to the carrying out of the object of the "Deep Sea Fisheries Act, 1892," and the scheme of colonization and settlement provided for by said Act and the "Colonization Act, 1892."

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Osoyoos and Okanagan Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Bedlington and West Kootenay Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Sword* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay Central Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Kitchen* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

House again in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay Central Railway Company," with Mr. *Kitchen* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Schedule A, unprovided items of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1892, and Supplementary Estimates for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1894, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
29th March, 1893.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the said Message, with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Vernon*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the said Message, together with the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be reported to the House.

The Chairman reported the Resolution.
Report adopted.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company,” was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act to Incorporate Whetham College,” was committed, with Mr. *Smith* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Pacific Telephone and Cable Company,” was committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Kaslo and Slocan Tramway Company,” was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Mount Tolmie Park and Cordova Bay Railway Company,” was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Nelson and Arrow Lake Railway Company,” was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Kaslo Electric Light, Power, and Water-works Company, Limited,” was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay, Lake Shore and Lardo Railway Company," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to make further provision for a Land Subsidy for and in aid of the British Columbia Southern Railway," was committed, with Mr. *McKenzie* in the Chair

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Official Administrators' Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors' Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act, 1891,'" was committed, with Mr. *Smith* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'County Courts Act,'" was considered.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Davie*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Section 2—Insert between "next" and "five," on line 1, the word "following."

Section 8—Insert between "next" and "nine," on line 1, the word "following."

Section 11—"Section" to read "sections"; also insert immediately before the figures "38" the further figures "36."

Section 18, line 1—Strike out the word "said" and substitute "County Courts."

Section 19, line 6—Between "debts" and "unless," insert the words "whether before or after judgment."

To introduce the following as section 21:—

"21. Section 11 of the 'County Courts Amendment Act, 1892,' is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'but the Judge may at any time, upon security to his satisfaction being given by the defendant for payment of the demand sued for, release the debt or debts due, or claimed to be due, from the garnishee, and may discharge the attachment or garnishment upon such debt or debts.'"

Section 22 (which will now be 23)—Strike out all the words after "action," in line 3, and substitute therefor the following: "such defendant shall not be entitled at the hearing to use or rely upon any ground of defence other than those stated in the dispute note, without the leave of the Judge, to be granted upon such terms (if any) as may appear just, except where the ground proposed to be used or relied upon arose after the filing of the dispute note."

Section 23 (which will now be 24)—Strike out the section and substitute therefor the following:—

"24. Neither the immediately preceding three sections of this Act, nor section 5 of the 'County Courts Amendment Act, 1892,' shall apply to the County Courts of Cariboo, Kootenay, or Yale."

Report as amended adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horticultural Board Act, 1892,'" was committed, with Mr. *Milne* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:15 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 30th March, 1893.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Venerable Archdeacon *Scriven*.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary's Department, to 30th June, 1894.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Office, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1894.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1894.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Inspector of Fruit Pests, to 30th June, 1894.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Bureau of Statistics, to 30th June, 1894.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts, to 30th June 1894.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Victoria, to 30th June, 1894.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$840 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Nanaimo City, to 30th June, 1894.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1894.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Comox District, to 30th June, 1894.

72A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital at Union, Comox, to 30th June, 1894.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1894.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Yale District, to 30th June, 1894.

125A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol at Nanaimo (construction), to 30th June, 1894.

132A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Chilliwack (construction), conditionally that the Municipality contributes \$1,500, to 30th June, 1894.

134A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Land Registry Office, Kamloops (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1894.

137A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Lock-up at Northfield, to 30th June, 1894.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), New Westminster District (roads between South Vancouver and Vancouver City), in addition to \$10,000 voted for general district purposes, to 30th June, 1894.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), East Kootenay District (additional to \$12,000 voted), to 30th June, 1894.

202A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Fort Steele Waggon Road, to 30th June, 1894.

202B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wild Horse Creek Road, to 30th June, 1894.

202C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Kaslo Waggon Road, to 30th June, 1894.

202D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Mount Benson Road, to 30th June, 1894.

202E. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Trail to Mines, Alberni, to 30th June, 1894.

240A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Hospital, Vernon (aid towards construction), conditionally that residents contribute \$2,000, to 30th June, 1894.

240B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, naphtha steam launch for use of Provincial Police, to 30th June, 1894.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165,477.17 be granted to Her Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the Public Service, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures, to 30th June, 1892.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Martin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received this evening.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee this evening.

Mr. *Watt* rose to move the following Resolution:—

That, in the opinion of this House, it would be in the best interests of the Province if the Government were to inaugurate a scheme for the survey of those sections of *Yale*, *Kootenay*, *Lillooet*, and *Lower Cariboo* Districts in which irrigation is required for the successful prosecution of agriculture, in order to show how lands now comparatively valueless may be supplied with sufficient water for purposes of irrigation; such surveys to show the source of water supply, its amount, the direction, length, capacity and cost of the necessary ditches, and the acreage which will in this way be reclaimed.

Mr. Speaker *Higgins* ruled the motion out of order, as being contrary to the provisions of Rule 45.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act, 1891.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was considered.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out section 45 and insert:—

45. Section 179 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be read:—

"179. The Municipal Council of every city municipality may from time to time make, alter, and repeal by-laws:—

"(a.) For naming and appointing a day or a date upon or before which persons who pay the annual rate or tax assessed and levied on land, or on improvements, or on real property, will be entitled to a discount or reduction of one-sixth of the tax for prompt payment:

"2. In city municipalities, where such a by-law is not in force as is mentioned in sub-section (a) of this section, the persons who pay the rate, rates, or tax annually levied on land or improvements, or on real property upon the assessment roll, on or before the 31st day of October in the year in which it is levied, shall be entitled to a discount or reduction of one-sixth of the amount of the tax."

Carried.

Moved by Mr. *Beaven* as a new clause:—

Sub-section (6) of section 204 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," is hereby amended, by adding thereto the following:—

"Provided, always, that any person to whom a license is granted and issued under this sub-section shall not be entitled to keep a bar on the licensed premises for the sale of liquor as in a saloon."

Carried.

Moved by Mr. *Beaven* as a new clause:—

Section 229 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," is hereby amended by striking out in line one the words "this Act," and by inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "Sections 226 and 227 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" and by inserting in line two, after the word "licenses," the words and figures "in a city municipality, under the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 204 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" and by striking out in lines nine and ten the words "notice of such application shall be published in some newspaper circulating," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a copy of such application shall be published and inserted for thirty days at least in a newspaper published," and by striking out all the words after the word "Board" in the fourteenth line down to the end of the section and inserting in lieu thereof "but the Board of Licensing Commissioners shall not be bound to grant such license if in the opinion of a majority of the members of the Board then present the public interest justify a refusal."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved the following as a new clause :—

Sub-section (a) of section 230 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," is hereby changed into a separate section and numbered 230A.

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend sub-section (a) of section 230, by inserting the word "or" between the words "applicant" and "for" in the fourth line.

Negatived.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out the section 56 inserted in the Committee of the Whole House on motion of the Attorney-General, and which now reads as follows :—

"Sections 235, 236, 237 and 238 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' are hereby repealed."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved the following amendments :—

Sub-section (a) of section 36 of Bill (No. 34) as amended in Committee of the Whole up to 23rd March, 1893, is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be read :—

"(a.) In city municipalities the Mayor, or, in the event of his inability to be present, an Alderman appointed by the Mayor, and two other qualified persons elected annually as Licensing Commissioners. The Mayor, or the Alderman appointed by the Mayor, shall be ex officio Chairman of the Board, and any two members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Semlin,</i> | <i>Cotton,</i> | <i>Beaven,</i> | <i>Forster,</i> |
| <i>Sword,</i> | <i>Milne,</i> | <i>Brown,</i> | <i>Keith—9.</i> |
| <i>Kitchen,</i> | | | |

NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Grant,</i> | <i>Smith,</i> | <i>Vernon,</i> | <i>Hunter,</i> |
| <i>McKenzie,</i> | <i>Watt,</i> | <i>Stoddart,</i> | <i>Rogers,</i> |
| <i>Punch,</i> | <i>Davie,</i> | <i>Booth,</i> | <i>Anderson—12.</i> |

Mr. *Grant* moved—

To amend section 119 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," by striking out, in line three, the words "at least three-fifths," and insert in lieu thereof the words "a majority."

Carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Semlin,</i> | <i>Smith,</i> | <i>Stoddart,</i> | <i>Croft,</i> |
| <i>Grant,</i> | <i>Keith,</i> | <i>Nason,</i> | <i>Hunter,</i> |
| <i>McKenzie,</i> | <i>Baker,</i> | <i>Pooley,</i> | <i>Rogers,</i> |
| <i>Punch,</i> | <i>Vernon,</i> | <i>Turner,</i> | <i>Fletcher—19.</i> |
| <i>Horne,</i> | <i>Eberts,</i> | <i>Martin,</i> | |

NAYS :

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| <i>Sword,</i> | <i>Milne,</i> | <i>Forster,</i> | <i>Davie,</i> |
| <i>Kitchen,</i> | <i>Beaven,</i> | <i>Watt,</i> | <i>Booth—10.</i> |
| <i>Cotton,</i> | <i>Brown,</i> | | |

Mr. *Beaven* moved the following amendments :—

Sub-section (b) of section 40 of Mr. *Kitchen's* section is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 5, the word "Clerk," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Assessor," and by striking out, in line 6, the words "and to the Assessor."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved—

Sub-section (c) of section 40, as printed in Mr. *Kitchen's* amendment, is hereby struck out. Negatived.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to protect Stock Ranges," was committed, with Mr. *Milne* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

House again in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to protect Stock Ranges," with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith to the Legislative Assembly Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments," and suggests its amendment by adding thereto the following as section 6:—

"6. All sums realized under the preceding section shall be paid in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall prescribe to the Minister of Finance, and shall be deemed to be surplus moneys forming portion of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, available for the purpose of discharging obligations under this Act, as provided by section 4 hereof."

Government House,
30th March, 1893.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the said Message, with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Attorney-General, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Turner*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Committee rise and report to the House the following additional section to Bill (No. 55):—

"6. All sums realized under the preceding section shall be paid in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall prescribe to the Minister of Finance, and shall be deemed to be surplus moneys forming portion of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province available for the purpose of discharging obligations under this Act, as provided by section 4 hereof."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Resolution was reported.
Report adopted.

The clause was then read a first and second time, and added to Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the erection of New Buildings for the accommodation of the Provincial Legislature and the Public Departments."

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, Resolutions 7, 14, 17, 24, 25, 27, 32, 44, 45, 47, 72A, 105, 106, 125A, 132A, 134A, 137A, 178, 184, 202A, 202B, 202C, 202D, 202E, 240A, 240B, for the year ending 30th June, 1894, and Schedule A for the year ending 30th June, 1892, reported from Committee of Supply this afternoon, were reported and received.

The Resolutions were read a first time, read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means, with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

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| \$ 165,477.17 | for the financial year ending 30th June, 1892. |
| 151,456.38 | for the financial year ending 30th June, 1893. |
| 1,277,157.95 | for the financial year ending 30th June, 1894. |
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| \$1,594,091.50 | |

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Martin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution.

Report received and adopted.

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

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

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

The Chairman reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill read a first time.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed forthwith.

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

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Health," was further considered.

The following amendments were made to the Bill, on the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Davie* :—

Insert after the word "endemic," in the second line of section 12, the word "infectious."

Insert the words "contagious or," before the word "infectious," in the second lines of sub-sections (4) and (5) of said section 12.

Insert the word "infectious," after the word "endemic," wherever the same occurs in the remaining sub-sections of the said section.

Change the word "municipal" in section 15 to the word "municipality," and add to the section the following: "or by a copy purporting to be printed by the Queen's Printer, Victoria."

Change the figures (3) and (4), in the third line of section 18, to the figures (2) and (3) respectively, and add to the section the words "in favour of Her Majesty."

Change the word "therefor," in the eighth line of sub-section (2) of section 26 to the word "thereof."

Change the words "properly qualified," in the fourth line of section 28, to the words "duly registered."

Strike out the words "and order" in sub-section (2) of section 37.

Add the following to section 45: "or if there be no Medical Health Officer, then of the Sanitary Inspector, if such there be."

Sec. 50. Strike out the words "and upon local Boards by section 61," in the second and third lines of the section, and change the figures "62," on line 4, to "61."

Add the following as sub-section (5) to section 98: "In any prosecution for any violation of the provisions of sections 69 and 72 of this Act, the burden of proof that the notice required to be given by the said sections was given shall lie upon the defence, and it shall not be necessary to a conviction for the prosecution to prove the non-delivery of such notice to all the persons to whom the said notice may be given."

Change the word "Magistrates" to "Magistrate," in the fourth line of section 99.

Add the following to section 106: "Provided always that nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or construed in any way to interfere with or impair the full force and effect of the remainder of the said Act."

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to authorize a certain grant in aid of the construction of a Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster," was considered,

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved the following amendment:—

Section 6 is hereby amended by striking out all the words in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th lines thereof, and by substituting therefor the words "one hundred and five thousand dollars in seven equal annual payments of fifteen thousand dollars each, to be payable on the 2nd July in each of the seven years next after the completion of the bridge."

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for the Aged and Infirm," was considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved the following amendment:—

"Strike out the first line of section 19 and substitute therefor the following: "From and after the day of mailing of such statement or of the receipt by the Provincial Secretary of the certificate."

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' and amending Acts," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors' Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Official Administrators' Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting the Official Map of the City of Victoria, and Subdivisions of Lands within the Boundaries of the said City," was considered.

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

"30. The Judge may, upon the hearing of any such application, receive and act upon any evidence which is now received by the Court on a question of title, and any evidence which the practice of English conveyancers authorizes to be received on an investigation of a title out of Court, or any other evidence, whether the same is or is not receivable or sufficient in strict point of law or according to the practice of the Court, provided the same satisfies the Judge of the truth of the facts intended to be made out thereby."

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Vancouver, British Columbia," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the British Columbia College," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Osoyoos and Okanagan Railway Company," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Bedlington and West Kootenay Railway Company," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to Incorporate Whetham College," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Pacific Telephone Company," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay Central Railway Company," was again committed, with Mr. *Kitchen* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Kaslo and Slocan Tramway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Milne* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock, p. m.