FOREWORD

It is a pleasure to be able to present in this form this Index to the <u>Journals of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia</u>, covering the first 100 years of legislative activity in this Province. The project has been a long time in preparation and I wish to pay particular tribute to Mrs. Christine R. Fox, formerly Assistant Provincial Librarian, who has brought the task to completion. Her long experience in the legislative reference activity of the Provincial Library combined with her technical expertise has made possible what we hope will prove to be a useful reference tool for all persons interested in the functioning of the Legislature of this Province over the period of a century.

While the actual form of publication may be something short of the ideal to have done otherwise would not only have delayed release but added appreciably to the cost. To us the more important factor was to make accessible the information contained in this index. We hope its users will agree with the decision we have taken.

I wish also to express my sincere appreciation to the Honourable W.H.Murray, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly at the time the decision to proceed with the completion of this index was made and to the Honourable Gordon Dowding, the present Speaker of the House. Their encouragement and advice has been of great value to us.

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