# Friday, March 27th, 1931.

## HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Hayward* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 27th, 1931.

MR. SPEAKER :

We have held many meetings and considered a large number of matters on municipal affairs as presented by the Union of B.C. Municipalities and others, and have recommended to the Hon, the Attorney-General certain proposed amendments to the "Municipal Act," "Village Municipalities Act," and the "Municipal Elections Act."

The Committee found great difficulty in obtaining quorums at its meetings owing to the fact that many of its members were also members of other important Committees, and it was found impossible to so arrange meetings that they would not clash.

We are of the opinion that it would be in the best interests of all concerned if it could be arranged in the future that members appointed to this Committee were not attached to any other Committee, even if it should be found necessary to further reduce the personnel of this Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. HAYWARD, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

47. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1932.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,110 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1932.

49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$36,432 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1932.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General. "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1932.

51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,812 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1932.

52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,538 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1932.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,255 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1932.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,095 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1932.

55. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,224 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1932.

56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$149,358 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1932.

57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$66,897 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1932.

58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$638,561 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1932.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$103,063 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1932.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1932.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$206,445 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1932.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1932.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1932.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1932.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1932.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1932.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1932.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,376 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office, to 31st March, 1932.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,210 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1932.

137. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Bureau of Mines, to 31st March, 1932.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1932.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1932.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, etc., to 31st March, 1932.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mineral Survey and Development Act," Supplementary, to 31st March, 1932.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Lectures on Practical Geology and Mineralogy, to 31st March, 1932.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to assist *Bona-fide* Mineral Prospectors, to 31st March, 1932.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising, Incidentals, and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1932.

145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants to the Coal-mining Industry and to provide for the Remuneration of the Secretary and Technical Adviser (Provincial Mineralogist), B.C. Coal Committee, to 31st March, 1932.

106. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1932.

The Committee reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting. On the motion of Mr. A. M. Manson, the Order for the report on Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 27TH.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.20 a.m.

# Saturday, March 28th, 1931.

## HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*—Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act.'"

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

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

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Optometry Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend 'The First Narrows Bridge Company, Limited, Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

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

On the second reading of Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. <i>Pearson</i> asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions :	
1. What amounts of money have been borrowed by the Government since N	lovember 1st,
1930; from whom; term of loan; rate of interest; and sale price?	
2. What amount is owing to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for money Freasury bills?	borrowed on
The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follows :	
"1. Refunding—	
Sold to A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Dominion Securities Corporation; Dillon,	
Read & Co.; Wood, Gundy & Co., Ltd.; The Canadian Bank of Com-	
merce; and The Royal Bank of Canada on December 15th, 1930, at	
99.50, Treasury bills, Series TBK, maturing December 15th, 1932, on	69 01 ° 000 00
a 4-per-cent. basis (to yield 4.26) Sold to Fry, Mills, Spence & Co., Ltd.; McLeod, Young, Weir & Co., Ltd.;	\$3,015,000.00
Bell, Gouinlock & Co., Ltd.; and Victor W. Odlum, Brown & Co., Ltd.,	
by contract dated March 13th, 1931, Serial Debenture issue FY dated	
April 1st, 1931, maturing in yearly instalments for 30 years, sold for	
98.60 on a $4\frac{1}{2}$ -per-cent. basis (to yield 4.627 per cent.)	4,057,000.00
Less amounts for refunding—	\$7,072,000.00
Treasury bills, Series TBB and TBC, matured	
November 25th, 1930, repaid by Treasury bills,	
Series TBJ, which in turn repaid by aforesaid	
Series TBK	
March 16th, 1931, and temporarily repaid by	
TBM, being now refunded by aforesaid Serial	
issue FY	
	7,000,000.00
	\$72,000.00
"New Money—	φ12,000.00
Sold to A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Dominion Securities Corporation; Dillon,	
Read & Co.; Wood, Gundy & Co., Ltd.; The Canadian Bank of Com- merce; and The Royal Bank of Canada on December 15th, 1930, at	
99.50, Treasury bills, Series TBL, maturing December 15th, 1932, on	
a 4-per-cent. basis (to yield 4.26 per cent.)	1,000,000.00
Sold to A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.; Dominion Securities Corporation; Dillon,	
Read & Co.; Wood, Gundy & Co.; The Canadian Bank of Commerce;	
and The Royal Bank of Canada on February 15th, 1931, at 98.40,	
Series FW and FX, 5-year debentures maturing February 15th, 1936, on a 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> -per-cent. basis (to yield 4.61 per cent.)	5,000,000.00
on a x/4 per cent, basis (to yrear not per cent),	
	\$6,072,000.00
Less Treasury bills repaid by 5-year debentures, Series FW and FX	4,920,000.00
New money	\$1,152,000.00
"Treasury bills sold to Canadian Bank of Commerce due May 1st, 1931" "2. \$1,461,000.	\$3,273,000.00

"Note.-1 and 2, as at March 24th, 1931."

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

What sums have been advanced under section 110, "Government Liquor Act," during the period April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

"See Report, Liquor Control Board."

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

What are the names of all legal gentlemen, K.C.'s, barristers, and solicitors employed by the Attorney-General's Department in all prosecutions since March, 1930, to date; and what were their fees and expenses?

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

"J. A. Allison, \$238.30; E. J. Avison, \$40.83; R. F. Bainbridge, \$36.46; C. G. Beeston, \$1,568.10; L. Beevor-Potts, \$75; G. Black, \$239.10; O. J. Boulton, \$35; H. H. Boyle, \$160; H. R. Bray, \$130; W. B. Bredin, \$397; W. H. Bullock-Webster, \$49.50; G. A. Cameron, \$373.50; G. L. Cassady, \$177.50; S. Child, \$30; J. L. Clay, \$180.25; R. J. Clegg, \$202; M. M. Colquhoun, \$40; F. T. Cornwall, \$140.50; A. J. Cowan, \$1,046.85; W. S. Deacon, \$40.10; A. C. desBrisay, \$3,499.75; C. H. Dunbar, \$465.10; E. V. Finland, \$40; W. E. Fisher, \$1,491.50; F. J. Fulton, \$249.75; H. W. Galbraith, \$856.45; C. B. Garland, \$240; A. Graham, \$868.53; C. N. Haney, \$56.65; V. B. Harrison, \$1,266.85; C. L. Harrison, \$239.20; H. W. Herchmer, \$2,025.05; S. Herchmer, \$75; G. E. Housser, \$143; N. H. Lidster, \$775; G. Lindsay, \$485; H. G. Lockwood, \$338.17; F. G. T. Lucas, \$10; C. S. Lyons, \$116.20; W. M. McKay, \$1,167.65; L. G. McPhillips, \$377; W. G. McQuarrie, \$1,551.45; J. M. Macdonald, \$68.75; L. S. McGill, \$168.30; W. C. Moresby, \$515; E. G. Matthew, \$120; H. W. R. Moore, \$300; J. W. North, \$70; T. G. Norris, \$47.30; C. M. O'Brian, \$4,325.28; A. Ogston, \$242; O. Orr, \$150; T. Pearse, \$25; A. W. Petapiece, \$1,085.95; C. H. Pitts, \$78.45; F. D. Pratt, \$187; W. C. Parker, \$110; H. B. Robertson, \$2,131.26; T. R. Selkirk, \$946.85; R. P. Stockton, \$25; E. C. Weddell, \$175.40; W. J. Whiteside, \$64.25; P. E. Wilson, \$140; W. A. Woodward, \$172.50; A. McB. Young, \$580."

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

What Loan Acts had unexpended balances at March 15th, 1931, and what was the amount of the unexpended balance in each case?

The Hon. Mr. Jones replied as follow	$^{1S}$	5			:	:	:	:		1				ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	2	ŝ	S	S	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	S	S	ŝ	2	è	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	2	2	2	2	2	ŝ	S	2	ŝ	ŝ	S	S	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	ŝ	1	ŗ	ř	i	١	ì	ì	ť	١	1	í	)	1	(	1	ł	l	1		l	J	ł	)	1	l	ļ	1		Ē	l	1	J					3	3	5	ļ	l	)	3	ź	-			ł.	i	Ĵ	ł	7	2	ŧ	U	l	J	1	ŀ.	)	l	1	2	e	€	•	1	1	r	I	1	1	1				ŝ	S	Ś	ł	?	2	(	(	ļ	Į	t	1	1	ŀ	)	9	l
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Consolidated Revenue—		
'Loan Act, 1916'	\$220.00	
'Loan Act, 1930'	1,056,700.00	
		\$1,056,920.00
Industries—' Loan Act, 1920 '		1,000,000.00
B.C. University—		
'Loan Act, 1920'		
'Loan Act, 1930'	83,590.00	
		93,590.00
P.G.E. Railway Construction-		
'Loan Act, 1920'		
'Loan Act, 1921'	80.80	
'Loan Act, 1930'		
Buildings and Furnishings-	THE STREET	3,554,246.45
'Loan Act, 1922'	\$789.00	
'Loan Act, 1923'	854.15	
' Loan Act, 1930'	500,000.00	
		501,643.15
'Soldiers' Land Act '- 'Loan Act, 1927 '		20,000.00
Land Settlement Board-' Loan Act, 1925'		8,213.00
Highways and Bridges-		
'Loan Act, 1929'	\$1,440.00	
'Loan Act, 1930'	927,122.40	
		928,562.40
Dewdney Dyking Relief-' Loan Act, 1929'		125.00
B.C. Electric Railway-' Loan Act, 1921'		93,000.00
Crown Property Development-' Loan Act, 1925'		55,000.00
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\$7,311,300.00 "

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

1. Was the appointment of A. W. A. Phair, of Lillooet, as Stipendiary Magistrate rescinded in December, 1930?

2. If so, for what reasons?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. In public interest."

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

1. Have investigations of the operations of the "Government Liquor Act" by one Albert F. Griffiths been completed?

2. If so, has said Griffiths made a report on the matter?

3. Will this report be brought down for the consideration of this House?

4. How much money has been paid to said Griffiths: (a) For his own services; (b) for other purposes?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes.

"3. Not in the public interest.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented corrected answers to questions asked by Mr. *Hanna* on February 23rd, as follows:—

1. What is the total expenditure of the Game Branch since March 20th, 1929?

2. What fees have been received for licences, etc., during this same period?

Corrected answers as follows :---

"1. It is impossible to give a correct figure covering expenditure from date desired, but the expenditure of the Game Branch from April 1st, 1929, to February 18th, 1931, was \$396,350.64, including \$34,801.76 paid for bounties on predatory animals.

"2. April 1st, 1929, to February 18th, 1931, approximately \$369,227.71, but returns for January and February are not all in yet.

"Note.—The year ending December 31st, 1930, showed an increase in revenue of \$27,000 over the previous nine months. These figures do not include amount recovered from fines."

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.53 p.m.

# Saturday, March 28th, 1931.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Lister on March 16th, as follows :--

That Report No. 1 of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, presented to the House on 9th instant, be adopted.

The debate continued.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Stock-brands Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to provide for the Payment of an Allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the Order being called for the second reading of Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act respecting the Fruit and Vegetable Industry and the Central Sale of Fruits and Vegetables," Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision:—

## Honourable Members:

I have before me for consideration Bill No. 77, introduced by a private member of this House and intituled "An Act respecting the Fruit and Vegetable Industry and the Central Sale of Fruits and Vegetables," and feel obliged to point out to the House that this Bill, in my view, contains many irregularities which should prohibit it from proceeding farther.

I find, upon persual of the Bill, that it interferes with, and appropriates in an altogether alarming and unconscionable extent, the undoubted prerogatives of the Crown. Police, penalty, and inspection powers and the creation of offences are usurped with an abandon which should not be countenanced. Peruse, for instance, power (l) of section 12 and sections 15, 16, and 51. Civilian institutions cannot (at any rate, without the sanction of the Crown) appropriate these powers, which are distinctly the prerogative of constitutional government. To hold otherwise would be to confer upon any individual citizen or citizens the prerogatives of government which can be obtained only by a revolution of our existing constitution.

A Bill of such far-reaching effect is, in my opinion, unconstitutional in the hands of a private member and a gross subversion of the prerogatives of the Crown. Furthermore, this Bill violates the fundamental right of the citizens of Canada to trade amongst themselves. Note, for instance, section 13, the effect of which empowers a commodity district to refuse to market, in a neighbouring Province or elsewhere in Canada, products grown in British Columbia. True, this section specifies products "unfit for marketing," but the value of the product of a man's labour cannot, in all conscience, be determined by an institution which asserts itself and sets itself up through the medium of a private member of Parliament. In these respects the Bill violates not only the prerogatives of the Crown, but also the provisions of section 91 of the "British North America Act," which confers upon the Parliament of Canada the exclusive jurisdiction in legislation matters pertaining to trade and commerce.

The Bill is also objectionable in that it assumes to confer powers upon the Crown. (See sections 42, 43, 44, 45, and 48.)

It may be said in this connection that such powers are not mandatory, but permissive only. The interference with the policies of the Crown is none the less effective. The setting-up of machinery which the Crown may use in the establishment of commodity districts provided by this Bill saddles the Crown with the responsibility of bringing into effect the proposed scheme, and strikes at the foundation of the parliamentary law principle that policies of the Crown cannot be directed or even suggested by a private member.

Section 3 and other sections go still farther and actually impose duties upon the Crown. which, in my view, is subversive of the principle of responsible government when those duties are sought to be imposed by an individual.

It may fairly be said that there is scarcely a section of this Bill which does not violate some fundamental principle of parliamentary law. The whole Bill is replete with irregularities, with infringements upon the recognized privileges of the people, and with interference with the policies and prerogatives of government. This Legislature, in my view, has no power to delegate such sweeping rights to a private member, and I must therefore rule the Bill out of order.

C. F. DAVIE, Speaker.

Mr. Lister appealed from the ruling of the Chair. Question proposed—" Shall the Chair be sustained?" Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:-

#### YEAS-29.

Messieurs

NAYS-12. Messieurs

Loutet Carson Mackenzie, R. Rutledge DickKingston Berry Borden

Uphill

Hanna

Kirk HeggieHayward Twigg Maitland Howe Jones

Tolmie Pooley Hinchliffe Macintosh MichellMacNaughton Manson, M.

Schofield Beatty Cornett Shelly BruhnAtkinson Lougheed

Pearson

Lister Wrinoh Sutherland PATRS:

Pattullo Manson, A. M. McKenzie, W. A.

Alward Fitzsimmons

MacPherson

Gillis Gray

> Kergin Buckham

On the Order being called for the second reading of Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act,'" Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision :---

Messieurs

#### Honourable Members:

A perusal of Bill No. 79, intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act," leads me to the definite conclusion that this Bill is out of order in the hands of a private member.

Section 4 redefines "manufactured products" as follows: "'Manufactured products' shall mean butter, cheese, condensed milk, evaporated milk, whole-milk powder, and ice-cream, or any other milk products which may, from time to time, be designated by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council." The motive of this definition is to vest in the Crown the declaration of a policy as to which of the various products mentioned shall be subjected to the machinery of the Act and strikes at the foundation of the parliamentary law principle that policies of the Crown cannot be directed or suggested by a private member. It is a violation of the principle surrounding the prerogative right of the Crown for a private member to place a policy in the hands of the Crown. To do so, virtually makes the Bill a Crown measure, and, as the responsibility for the success or failure of the operation of the Act must redound to its shoulders, the Crown should not have responsibilities thrust upon it which it has not sanctioned. It is not open to private individuals to proceed with legislation which places in the hands of the Crown the central pivot upon which the whole fabric of the Act revolves. It follows that, if this view be correct, all the sections of the Act which are tied to "manufactured products" are out of order as they are inseparable from the definition above mentioned, and there are very few sections which a not interlocked in this respect.

For the above reasons I am of the opinion that the Bill is out of order in the hands of private member. C. F. DAVIE, Speaker.

Mr. A. M. Manson appealed from the ruling of the Chair. Question proposed—" Shall the Chair be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division :---

		YEAS-29.	
		Messieurs	
Loutet	Kirk	Tolmic	Schofield
Carson	Heggie	Pooley	Beatty
Mackenzie, R.	Hayward	Hinchliffe	Cornett
Rutledge	Twigg	Macintosh	Shelly
Dick	Maitland	Michell	Bruhn
Kingston	Howe	MacNaughton	Atkinson
Berry	Jones	Manson, M.	Lougheed
Borden			
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Uphill	MacPherson	Lister	Pattullo
Hanna	Gillis	Wrinch	Manson, A. M.
Pearson	Gray	Sutherland	McKenzie, W. A.
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The Hon. Mr. Jones presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrate which read as follows:---

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 73) intituled "An A to amend the 'Taxation Act,' " enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislati Assembly.

Government House, March 28th, 1931.

## (ENCLOSURE.)

Section 11: To add to enacted section 107c the following proviso:-

"Provided that where a telegraph company or express company has more than one busine office or agency located in the same village, town, or city, the tax at the rate prescribed by th section shall be levied and payable only in respect of one of the business offices or agencies located."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act, a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 27th, 1931.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD, Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," and recommends the same to the Legislative

Assembly. Government House,

March 26th, 1931.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 75) initialed "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Gillis* (in the absence of Mr. *Buckham*), Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 80) initialed "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed presented the Annual Report of the Lands and Surveys Branches, Department of Lands, for the Year ended December 31st, 1929. Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions :--

1. Is one L. F. Washburn in the employ of the Game Branch?

2. If so, in what capacity?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Temporary Probationer Game Warden."

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

1. Has one M. Donaldson, of Salmo, been employed in any capacity by the Department of Public Works since August 20th, 1928?

2. If yes, in what capacity, and what has been his total remuneration?

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

"1. Not personally.

"2. See answer to No. 1."

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was a demand made by local Fire Warden or fire officer for assistance from Road Foreman, Pender Harbour Road, July, 1930?

2. If so, was such demand complied with; and, if not, was a report made to the Department on the matter or an investigation made?

3. Who was Road Foreman upon such work at this time, and is he still in the employ of the Department?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes.

"3. R. C. Kean. Yes."

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

1. Was any lumber left over from the Public Works construction camp on the Rosebery-Nakusp Road on the completion of construction in November, 1930?

2. If so, what was the amount of such lumber, and what disposition was made of it?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Approximately 5,000 F.B.M. Stored for use in other work."

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

1. Has a bridge been built at Clearwater Station?

2. If so, what is the total cost of such bridge?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. \$16,762.40 (\$19,000 estimated)."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

# Saturday, March 28th, 1931.

#### HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

# J. A. MACDONALD,

## Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 28th, 1931.

#### (ENCLOSURE,)

Section 10, subsection (2), line 2: To insert after the word "apply" the words "in respect of all taxpayers within the scope of Part III. of the 'Taxation Act,' and shall apply."

Section 12, subsection (2), clause (c), line 2: To insert before the word "unless" the words "other than a corporation."

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendments reported.

Amendments introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendments be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax."

The Hon. Mr. Jones presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

### J. A. MACDONALD,

# Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith amendments to the Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1931, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 28th, 1931.

Main

#### (ENCLOSURE.)

Amendments to Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1931.

Page Z 113. Vote 32—"Rebates on Stumping-powder, etc.": Amend by striking out the figures "8,500.00," and substitute therefor the figures "12,500.00."

Page Z 114. Under "Department of Finance": Add the following vote:---

Estimates and Special War- rants, Fiscal Year 1930–31.	No. of Vote.		cal Year 30—31.	
\$44,808.00	99 (b).	Surveyor of Taxes-Income, Output, and Corporation Taxes:		
		New Equipment, etc., re Special Revenue Tax	0.000.00	

Page Z 115. Under "Department of the Provincial Secretary": Add the following vote:-Main

Estimates and Special War-Fiscal Year No. of Service. 1930-31. Vote. rants, Fiscal Year 1930-31, \$70,000.00

164 (*j*). Direct Unemployment Relief

And to amend all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Estimates so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned amendments.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved. That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendments to the Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1931, a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendments reported.

Amendments introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendments be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Bills of Sale and Chattel Mortages," and recomends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 27th, 1931.

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved. That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Bills of Sale and Chattel Mortgages," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. To lie upon the table.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Pattullo, adjourned to the next sitting,

On the second reading of Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Pattullo, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to enable the Corporation of the District of Mission to guarantee certain Debentures of the Farmers' Cold Storage Company, Limited" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act'" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion the Hon. Mr. *McKenzie*, adjourned to the next sitting.

By the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act'" was withdrawn, and the Bill Ordered to be dropped from the Order Paper.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act'" was withdrawn, and the Bill *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was committed, Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pension Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax" was committed. Progress reported. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

MARCH 30TH.

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was read : second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. o: Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.35 p.m.

# Monday, March 30th, 1931.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

### HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

The report on Bill (No. 53) initialed "An Act respecting the Greater Vancouver Tunne Company, Limited" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 75) initiale. "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was again committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Was any timber used in construction-work on Big Bend Road, Revelstoke District, brough from Vancouver Island?

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

"No information."

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

1. Was any work done on highway from Prince George east towards Red Pass during 1930

2. If so, what amount was expended on such work?

3. If so, was E. H. Burden awarded a contract in connection with such work?

4. If yes, what amount has he received in connection with such contract, and have term of such contract been fully complied with?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. \$37,902.31.

"3. No.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

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

What amounts, if any, have been spent by the Department in each year from 1923 to 1930 inclusive, on Alexandria-Beaver Lake Road?

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

" See Public Accounts."

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Is one D. R. MacDonald in the employ of the Department in Comox Riding?

2. If so, in what capacity, when was he appointed, what is his salary, and who was his predecessor?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Assistant General Foreman; April 30th, 1929; \$175 per month. From time to time in the past, as necessity required, there have been other Assistant Foremen in this district."

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

1. Has any work been done for the Department of Public Works by the Interior Construction Company since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what is the total sum that has been paid by the Department of Public Works to said company to date?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. \$33,261.96."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.45 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.46 p.m.

# Monday, March 30th, 1931.

QUARTER TO TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Berry*, Bill (No. 87) initial "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Pearson* on March 4th, as follows:—

Whereas the increase in consumption of fuel-oil in Canada has resulted in the decrease of coal used for similar purposes:

And whereas the prosperity of the coal industry in Canada is thereby greatly impaired :

Be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly do humbly petition the Government of Canada to cause to be presented to Parliament, proposal:—

- (1.) To increase the tariff on fuel-oil entering Canada to such amount as will enable the coal industry to successfully compete against fuel-oil:
- (2.) To place upon fuel-oil, which is the residue of crude oil imported into and refined in Canada, a tax of such amount as will enable the coal industry to successfully compete against fuel-oil.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada.

The Hon. Mr. McKenzie moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lougheed, as follows:---

To strike out all the words after the word "Whereas" in the first line, and to substitute therefor the following:—

"Canada's coal resources are estimated at 1,234,269,310 thousand metric tons, and notwithstanding Canadian funds approximating \$93,095,560 were expended in 1929 on imported coal; these figures being based on the importation of 844,826 tons from Great Britain, 17,656,982 tons from the United States, and 117,304 tons from Russia, a conservative valuation of \$5 a ton being placed on the same:

"And whereas the production of Canada's coal industry showed a serious decline in 1930 as compared with 1929, and that the condition in British Columbia was particularly disturbing, the output totalling 1,878,000 tons in 1930, in comparison with 2,251,252 tons for the previous year:

"And whereas the total fuel-oil made available for use in British Columbia last year was 171,500,000 gallons, the equivalent of 1.020,833 tons of coal, which would furnish employment in local collieries for 2,283 men:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly do heartily approve and commend the Government of the Dominion of Canada on the policy it has adopted of undertaking a survey of production, distribution, and marketing conditions of coal in Canada, with a view to the enactment of a national fuel policy.

"And be it further Resolved, That the Dominion Government be humbly petitioned to take into consideration, in the course of its research-work in this direction, the position of the product of the collieries of British Columbia in local markets as a result of fuel-oil competition, with a view to the adoption of such practical measures as will afford, while protecting the general public interest, necessary support to the coal-mining industry of British Columbia.

"And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada."

On the motion of Mr. A. M. Manson, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. Spencer moved, seconded by Mr. Twigg,--

Whereas the Governments of the Dominion and Provinces of Canada are endeavouring to find remedies for the unemployment situation which exists at present in Canada:

And whereas the moneys hitherto provided for relief-work are insufficient to meet the situation adequately:

And whereas present-day methods of mass production have largely increased the productive capacity of labour, with the result that production, distribution, and consumption have become unbalanced, and that many persons are unable to obtain employment appropriate to their training and skill or any kind of employment:

And whereas it is apparent that the institution of a system of two shifts of not over six hours per man per day in certain trades and industries, including amongst others the public works of Governments and municipalities, the building trades, gold-mining, departmental and chain stores, brokerage and bond houses, would have the effect of very largely relieving the present unemployment situation by absorbing in those industries twice the number of persons now employed in them:

Now therefore be it Resolved, That the Government of Canada be petitioned to call a conference between the Prime Minister of Canada and the Prime Ministers of all the Provinces of Canada for the purpose of inquiring into and, if deemed advisable, to take the necessary steps to bring about the institution of such a system of six-hour shifts.

And be it further Resolved, That the Government of Canada suggest to the Governments of the other countries of North America that they follow the same procedure with a view to making the said system uniform throughout the North American continent.

And be it further Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Hon, the Secretary of State for Canada or other proper official at Ottawa for presentation to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of British Columbia and Alberta" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The reports on the following Bills were adopted, and the Bills read a third time and passed :---

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting the Shipment and Sale of Coal."

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Small Debts Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act.'"

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

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

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act.'"

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Superannuation Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Mothers' Pensions Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 75) initialed "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified " was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. *Lister* moved for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Fruit and Vegetable Industry and the Central Sale of Fruits and Vegetables."

Mr. Carson rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill out of order, and delivered the following decision :--

### Honourable Members:

The honourable and gallant member for Creston has asked leave to introduce an Act intituled "An Act respecting the Fruit and Vegetable Industry and the Central Sale of Fruits and Vegetables."

I have had the opportunity of perusing this Bill and I find that it is, in all respects as concerns the irregularities for which I ruled out the previous Bill No. 77, the same Bill, and the question arises as to whether a Bill ruled out of order by the Speaker can be again introduced without the elimination of the objectionable matter.

It is a well-established rule of parliamentary practice that no question or motion can regularly be offered upon which the judgment of the House has been expressed during the current Session (*Bourinot*, 4th Ed., p. 545). Had there been no appeal to the House from my decision on Bill No. 77, it is possible that the honourable and gallant member might be entitled to ask leave to introduce his Bill, as, under these circumstances, no decision of the House would have been made. The circumstances are, however, that the House has upheld the decision of the Speaker that the matters ruled out of order prevent the Bill from being proceeded with. It would be, therefore, in my view, an unprecedented reversal of the determination of the House should the House now permit the introduction of a Bill which the House has decided is out of order.

In the case of Bill No. 79, "An Act to amend the Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act," this Bill was ruled out of order on the grounds stated in my previous decision. In that case also, the honourable member for Delta reintroduced his Bill under the same title, but in his new Bill there was expunged therefrom in every particular all the objectionable matter for which his original Bill was ruled out of order. I think, therefore, he was entitled to bring in his new Bill.

I am unable, however, in the light of any consistency, to allow the new Bill proposed by the honourable and gallant member for Creston to be introduced.

The Crown, through the Prime Minister, has expressed its consent that the Bill be introduced, reserving to itself, however, the right to object to any measures for which it might be held responsible.

I am of the opinion, however, that this consent cannot now overcome the rule that a question upon which the House has expressed an opinion cannot be revived during this Session. To attempt to introduce the Bill with all its previous irregularities would, in my opinion, be at once an affront to the Legislature and an abuse of the rules and customs of the House.

I therefore must advise the House that the objection of the honourable member for Lillooet is well taken and that the Bill cannot be proceeded with.

C. F. DAVIE, Speaker.

Mr. Lister appealed from the ruling of the Chair. Question proposed—"Shall the Chair be sustained?" Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

		Yeas-23.	
		Messieurs	
Loutet	Heggie	Tolmie	Schofield
Carson	Spencer	Pooley	Cornett
Rutledge	Walkem	Hinchliffe	Shelly
Dick	Hayward	Macintosh	Atkinson
Kirk	Twigg	Michell	Lougheed
Alward	Howe	MacNaughton	
		NAYS-16.	
		Messieurs	
Uphill	Gray	Kergin	Maitland
Hanna	Kingston	Sutherland	Jones
Pearson	Lister	Pattullo	Bruhn
Gillis	Wrinch	Manson, A. M.	McKenzie, W. A.

## PAIRS :

#### Messieurs

Fitzsimmons Borden Buckham MacPherson

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

1. Has W. J. Baird resigned from the Commission on Uniformity of Legislation and Laws?

2. If so, who has been appointed in his place?

3. Has W. J. Baird resigned from the Moving Picture Appeal Board?

4. If so, who has been appointed in his place?

5. How many pictures have the Appeal Board dealt with since the date of their appointment to date?

6. What has been the remuneration of the Moving Picture Appeal Board to date?

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

"1. See Votes and Proceedings No. 7.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Yes.

"4. Successor not yet appointed.

"5. January 1st, 1930, to December 31st, 1930, 27.

"6. Every notice of appeal must be accompanied by the deposit of an appeal fee of \$15, which is distributed among the members of the Appeal Board who acted on the hearing of the appeal, in equal shares."

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

1. Is work upon a diversion of the Island Highway at a point near Stewart's Hill, south of Ladysmith, being carried out?

2. If so, what has been the total cost to date of such work?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. \$32,529.72 to February 28th, including culvert; estimated cost, \$44,000."

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

1. Was a boat for use in transportation of supplies for Big Bend Road north of Revelstoke purchased by the Department of Public Works during 1930?

2. If so, from whom was said boat purchased, and at what cost?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Hull, George Askew, \$2,500; engine and propeller, Vivian Gas Engine Works, \$3,917.88."

Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
I. Is one A. J. Gordon in the employ of the Department in Queen Charlotte Islands?
2. If so, what are his duties, and what salary or remuneration does he receive?

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

"1. Yes; by the day.

"2. Road Foreman, construction and maintenance, \$6 per day."

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

1. Has any survey-work been carried out by the Department of Public Works in the vicinity of Stewart's Hill, near Ladysmith, during the years 1930 and 1931?

2. If so, what was the total cost of such survey-work?

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

"1. Yes. An exceptionally difficult piece of location requiring the investigation of several alternative routes.

"2. Total for fiscal years 1929-30, 1930-31, \$1,525.44."

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

 What is the total mileage of Government roads and trails in Dewdney Electoral District?
 What was the total amount expended by the Department of Public Works upon such roads and trails from August 20th, 1928, to December 31st, 1930?

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

"1. 192.3.

"2. See Public Accounts."

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

Was a ferry constructed by or for the Department of Public Works to operate at Needles, Arrow Lakes, since January 1st, 1929; and, if so, upon what date was said ferry completed, and at what cost?

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

"Yes; June 20th, 1930; \$3,350.75."

Resolved. That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 9 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

# Monday, March 30th, 1931.

NINE O'CLOCK P.M.

The reports on the following Bills were adopted, and the Bills read a third time and passed: $\rightarrow$ 

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

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax."

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Male Minimum Wage Act.'"

Bill read a second time on the following division :---

		YEAS-24.	
		Messieurs	
Carson	Sutherland	Maitland	Macintosh
Gillis	Pattullo	Howe	Michell
Kingston	Manson, A. M.	Jones	MacNaughton
Berry	Heggie	Tolmie	Shelly
Kirk	Spencer	Pooley	Atkinson
Wrinch	Walkem	Hinchliffe	Lougheed
		NAYS-10.	
		Messieurs	

Loutet Rutledge Uphill Hanna Pearson Gray ays—10. essieurs Kergin Schofield

Bruhn McKenzie, W. A. On the second reading of Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" a debate arose.

Question proposed—" That the Bill be read a second time now."

Mr. Loutet moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Dick,-

That all the words after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following be substituted therefor:—

"Bill No. 87, being a Bill intituled 'An Act to amend the "Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act," be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, with instructions to report back to the House as to the desirability of proceeding with the said Bill or as to other dispositions of the same."

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?"

The House continued to sit after midnight.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division :--

		YEAS-21.	
		Messieurs	
Carson	Berry	Maitland	Hinchliffe
Uphill	Wrinch *	Howe	MacNaughton
Pearson	Sutherland	Jones	Schofield
Gillis	Pattullo	Tolmie	Atkinson
Gray	Spencer	Pooley	Lougheed
Kingston			
		NAYS-15.	
		Messieurs	

		messieurs	
Loutet	Kirk	Walkem	Michell
Rutledge	Kergin	Hayward	Cornett
Hanna	Alward	Twigg	Shelly
Dick	Heggie	Macintosh	

Bill read a second time on the same division.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act."

Bill read a second time and committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,459,742.06 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1932.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$125,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, to 31st March, 1932.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,098,682.75 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1932.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Redemption of Debentures, to 31st March, 1932.

191. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$907,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—Interest on Guaranteed Bonds due July 15th, 1931, and January 15th, 1932, to 31st March, 1932.

192. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, British Columbia House, London, England—Instalment on Mort-gage, to 31st March, 1932.

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

. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify the Members of Committees of Direction under the 'Produce Marketing Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 30th, 1931.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 89) initialed "An Act to indemnify the Members of Committees of Direction under the 'Produce Marketing Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Bill read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Tolmie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:— J. A. MACDONALD.

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Unemployment Relief," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 30th, 1931.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 88) initialed "An Act respecting Unemployment Relief," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting. Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question :---

Has a franchise under section 68 (2), "Highway Act," been granted to one R. G. McKenzie, Queen Charlotte City, since April, 1930, or has application been made by said McKenzie for such franchise?

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

" No."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 1.40 a.m.

# Tuesday, March 31st, 1931.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

On the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Stock-brands Act,' " the Hon. Mr. Atkinson moved in amendment as follows:—

Section 35, subsection (1): To strike out in the first three lines the words "Except in the case of shipments made by a person who is the holder of a Provincial or municipal licence to deal in beef, or the holder of a slaughter-house licence under this Act."

Amendment agreed to.

Report as amended adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Section 2, subsection (1): To strike out the words "'Superintendent' means the Superintendent of Welfare," and to substitute therefor the following :---

"'Board' means the Mothers' Pensions Board, which shall consist of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board and one other member, who shall be a woman, and shall be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. Any three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, and the existing or continuing members of the Board shall have and may exercise all the jurisdiction and powers of the Board notwithstanding any vacancy in the membership thereof. The woman member of the Board may also be appointed to any administrative office under the Board. Notwithstanding the provisions of the 'Workmen's Compensation Act,' the members of the Workmen's Compensation Board shall act as members of the Board constituted under this section. The Chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board shall be the Chairman of the Board so constituted."

By leave of the House, the motion in amendment was withdrawn.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 8) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'' was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to indemnify the Members of Committees of Direction under the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 1 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 31st, 1931.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, to 31st March, 1932.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,404 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1932.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,322 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minimum Wage Board, to 31st March, 1932.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,008 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Service, to 31st March, 1932.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,788 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1932.

179. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$310,794 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1932.

168. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Supervision of Charitable Grants, to 31st March, 1932.

171. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1932.

187. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$24,818 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1932.

188. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$52,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1932.

78 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, High School Correspondence Courses, to 31st March, 1931.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

78 (d). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Courses, Elementary Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

83 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, to 31st March, 1931.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Salaries, to 31st March, 1931.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

99 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1931.

99 (b). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes—Income, Output, and Corporation Taxes—New equipment, etc., rc Special Revenue Tax, to 31st March, 1931.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

101. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

102 (*j*). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,806.27 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905," to 31st March, 1931.

102 (k). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,165.48 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, City of Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1931.

102 (l). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salaries and Expenses re Appraisal and Classification of Reverted Lands, to 31st March, 1931.

102 (m). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$533 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Compensation re Lands erroneously sold at Tax Sales, including Interest, to 31st March, 1931.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

133 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Cost of Construction of Wing-dam at Alice Arm Townsite, to 31st March, 1931.

133 (b). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Administration and Protection of Railway Belt, August and September, 1930, to 31st March, 1931.

133 (c). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$360,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Government Share of Deficit in Forest Protection Fund Special Levy, to 31st March, 1931.

133 (d). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Payment to Dominion Government for Surveys carried out by them in Peace River Block, August, September, and October, 1930, to 31st March, 1931.

133 (c). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding 153 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Compensation re Fruit-trees purchased from Provincial Government not proving true to Name on the Southern Okanagan Project, to 31st March, 1931.

145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grant to the Coal-mining Industry and to provide for the Remuneration of the Secretary and Technical Adviser (Provincial Mineralogist), B.C. Coal Committee, to 31st March, 1931.

145 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Pacific (Coyle) Navigation Company, to 31st March, 1931.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1931.

155 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Tranquille Sanatorium, to 31st March, 1931.

157. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Infants Act," to 31st March, 1931.

159 (c). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In Aid of Destitute Poor and Sick, etc. to 31st March, 1931.

159 (e). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Burial of Indigent Persons, to 31st March, 1931.

163. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1931.

164 (d). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, and Entertainments, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

165. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$525 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

164 (*j*). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Direct Unemployment Relief, to 31st March, 1931.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1931.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5.000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Automobile Club of B.C., to 31st March, 1931.

173 (b). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,197 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, City of Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (c). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,675.38 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Matsqui Dyking District, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (d). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Municipality of Surrey, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (e). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Municipality of Surrey, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (f). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Municipality of Spallumcheen, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (g). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Dewdney Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (h). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Canadian Good Roads Association, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (i). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Grant towards Fire-protection of Government Buildings at Atlin, to 31st March, 1931.

173 (*j*). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Unemployment Relief, to 31st March, 1931.

175 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Completion of Survey, Cottonwood Revision, P.G.E. Railway, to 31st March, 1931.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association, to 31st March, 1931.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Pound District Act," to 31st March, 1931.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grasshopper Extermination, etc. (W. S. Bullen), to 31st March, 1931.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Noxious Weeds, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations, Fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular Cattle, to 31st March, 1931.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, to 31st March, 1931.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, to 31st March, 1931.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Quarantine Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the

expenses of Department of Agriculture, Extermination of Noxious Animals, to 31st March, 1931. 50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, World's Grain Congress, to 31st March, 1931.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, to 31st March, 1931.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

54B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grant to Mainland Potato Committee of Direction, to

expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grant to Mainland Potato Committee of Dire 31st March, 1931.

52A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Nechako Creamery, to 31st March, 1931.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1931.

61 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1931.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1931.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100, be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1931.

65 (d). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$450 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1931.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1931.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prosecutions and Interpreters, to 31st March, 1931.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Stenographers, Transcripts, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1931.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102.223.05 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1930, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Contribution toward Cost of constructing Roadway on North Side and on South Side of False Creek to provide Access to their Leaseholds of Lessees of the Crown, to 31st March, 1932.

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

On the motion of the Hon, the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon, the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on the 18th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and 31st instant be received and read a first time.

That the Resolutions be now read a second time and taken as read.

That the Resolutions be now read a third time, taken as read and agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*.—

That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole forthwith to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

\$102,223.05 for the financial year ended March 31st, 1930.

976,360.65 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1931.

28,080,030.76 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1932.

The Committee reported the Resolution. Resolution considered forthwith and adopted. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon, the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Bill read a second time and committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Stock-brands Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act," the Hon. Mr. *Pooley* moved in amendment as follows:---

Section 2, lines 7 and 9: To strike out the words "malt liquor" in line 7, and insert after the word "Province," in line 9, the words "and for malt liquor."

Section 3, lines 3 and 4: To strike out the words "malt liquor" in line 3, and add after the word "Province," in line 4, the words " and for malt liquor."

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" Mr. *Twigg* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *MacNaughton*, as follows:—

To add the following as section 3 and renumber the following sections:-

"3. Said section 5 is further amended by adding the following to paragraph (a):--

"'Provided, however, that the provisions of this paragraph shall not disqualify or render incompetent to vote any Japanese who served in the Naval, Military, or Air Force of Canada in the Great War of 1914–1918, and who produce a discharge from such Naval, Military, or Air Force to the Registrar upon the making of the voters' list and to the Deputy Returning Officer at the time of polling.'"

A debate arose.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division :---

#### YEAS-19.

#### Messieurs

Loutet	Wrinch	Spencer	Manson, M.
Uphill	Sutherland	Walkem	Schofield
Pearson	Pattullo	Twigg	Beatty
Gillis	Manson, A. M.	Macintosh	Bruhn
Dick	Heggie	MacNaughton	

#### NAYS-18.

		Messieurs	
Carson	Berry	Jones	Michell
Rutledge	Kirk	Tolmie	Cornett
Fitzsimmons	Hayward	Pooley	Atkinson
Hanna	Maitland	Hinchliffe	Lougheed
Kingston	Howe		

Report as amended adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Pearson* on March 4th, as follows :---

Whereas the increase in consumption of fuel-oil in Canada has resulted in the decrease of coal used for similar purposes:

And whereas the prosperity of the coal industry in Canada is thereby greatly impaired:

Be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly do humbly petition the Government of Canada to cause to be presented to Parliament, proposal:—

- (1.) To increase the tariff on fuel-oil entering Canada to such amount as will enable the coal industry to successfully compete against fuel-oil:
- (2.) To place upon fuel-oil, which is the residue of crude oil imported into and refined in Canada, a tax of such amount as will enable the coal industry to successfully compete against fuel-oil.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada.

And on the amendment thereto moved by Hon. Mr. McKenzie on 30th instant, as follows:-

"Canada's coal resources are estimated at 1,234,269,310 thousand metric tons, and notwithstanding Canadian funds approximating \$93,095,560 were expended in 1929 on imported coal; these figures being based on the importation of 844,826 tons from Great Britain, 17,656,982 tons from the United States, and 117,304 tons from Russia, a conservative valuation of \$5 a ton being placed on the same:

"And whereas the production of Canada's coal industry showed a serious decline in 1930 as compared with 1929, and that the condition in British Columbia was particularly disturbing, the output totalling 1,878,000 tons in 1930, in comparison with 2,251,252 tons for the previous year:

"And whereas the total fuel-oil made available for use in British Columbia last year was 171,500,000 gallons, the equivalent of 1,020,833 tons of coal, which would furnish employment in local collieries for 2,283 men:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly do heartily approve and commend the Government of the Dominion of Canada on the policy it has adopted of undertaking a survey of production, distribution, and marketing conditions of coal in Canada, with a view to the enactment of a national fuel policy.

"And be it further Resolved, That the Dominion Government be humbly petitioned to take into consideration, in the course of its research-work in this direction, the position of the product of the collieries of British Columbia in local markets as a result of fuel-oil competition, with a view to the adoption of such practical measures as will afford, while protecting the general public interest, necessary support to the coal-mining industry of British Columbia.

"And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada."

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" *Resolved* in the negative.

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be substituted stand part of the question?" *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Motion as amended agreed to.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. A. M. Manson on March 16th, as follows:--

That a Return be made to this House of blue-prints of all new subdivisions of the University Endowment Lands proposed or already made, together with a schedule of proposed sale prices and proposed commission on sale of lots in said subdivisions, with particulars as to when and by whom survey of said subdivision or subdivisions was made, and as to whether it is proposed to put in all local improvements, including gas, telephone, and electric light, prior to sale. And that a Return be made to this House of the Order in Council with respect to an agreement between His Majesty the King and The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, bearing date the 1st day of July, 1930, and a copy of the said agreement.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. McKenzie, seconded by Mr. Fitzsimmons, it was Resolved,-

Whereas the production of new silver is no more than has heretofore normally been required for monetary purposes and uses in the arts:

And whereas there is now an oversupply of silver in the market by reason of demonetization and the debasement of the subsidiary coinage of many nations of the world, and as a result the price of silver has been depressed to a point where it has reduced to an alarming extent the purchasing-power of over half the peoples of the world:

And whereas the employment of labour and the prosperity of the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion of Canada can be greatly stimulated by maintaining and extending our trade with those countries where the purchasing-power is affected by the value of silver:

And whereas such decline in price has disastrously affected trade between silver-using countries, Canada, and the rest of the world:

And whereas, in order to bring about the restoration of this foreign trade, it is necessary to eliminate the abnormal fluctuations in the price of silver:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly do put itself on record as favouring further investigation on the part of the Government of the Dominion of Canada relative to the cause of the depressed market conditions of silver, and suggests that other interested nations should be conferred with and their co-operation obtained to the end that an International Conference may be called to discuss the stabilization of the price of silver in the world's monetary system.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Hon. the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada.

Mr. Cornett presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, as follows:--

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 31st, 1931.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee has had no matters referred to it, and consequently has not ordered any of the Reports, etc., presented to be printed.

Your Committee notices that in past years a great deal of expenditure was incurred in the printing of Sessional Papers, etc., and that this printing was not recommended by this Committee.

Your Committee therefore recommends that no such printing be ordered by this Legislature until such printing has been recommended by this Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act respecting Unemployment Relief" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported,

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Was any land rented by the Department in the Revelstoke District for growing vegetables? 2. If so, what area, from whom, and at what rental?

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

"1. No.

"2. See answer to No. 1.

"Note.—Ranch was rented from A. E. Kincaid at \$100 for one year for purposes of construction-camp site. Later 2 acres were cultivated for camp use in interests of economy and to reduce freight of supplies. A considerable saving was effected."

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

1. Was a road constructed during 1930 by the Department of Public Works between Rosebery and the head of Slocan Lake?

2. If so, were tenders called for the construction of said road; and, if yes, who was the successful tenderer, what was the amount of his tender, and what was the total cost of the road?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes. A. H. Green; tender on a unit-price basis; \$125,100 paid contractor."

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

1. Was a contract or were contracts let for Summit Lake-Rosebery Road in Kaslo-Slocan Riding during 1929 and 1930?

2. If so, who were the successful tenderers, and what was the amount of each tender submitted?

3. If so, what was the total amount paid to the successful tenderer or tenderers?

4. If so, what mileage was built by the successful tenderer or tenderers?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. J. A. Broley; tenders on a unit-price basis.

" 3. \$67,111.83.

"4. 9 miles."

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

1. Was one L. C. Gunn, of Prince George, employed since August 20th, 1928, on survey-work by the Department of Lands?

2. If yes, upon what work has he been engaged, and what was his total remuneration for such work?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Land survey in vicinity of Prince George and Pacific Great Eastern location survey, Cottonwood Canyon; \$276.71."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 31st, 1931.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Mr. Hanna asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:-

1. Is any fire insurance carried by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?

2. If so, what is the amount of such insurance and the premium paid?

3. If so, were tenders called for placing this insurance? If yes, when; were such tenders opened in public, and who were the successful and other tenderers?

4. If such insurance is carried who were the local agents in: (a) 1928; (b) 1930; (c) at present?

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

"1. No information.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. No information."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 9.40 p.m.

# Wednesday, April 1st, 1931.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The report on Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

1. Has the Land Settlement Board called for tenders for the purchase of Lots 1402 and 1509, Kamloops Division, Yale District?

2. If yes, were any tenders received, and from whom?

3. If yes, was any tender accepted; and, if so, which?

4. If yes, what was the amount of each tender?

5. If any such tender has been called for and accepted, what terms has the Land Settlement Board stipulated for the completion of the contract? "1. Yes.

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- "2. Yes, from C. C. Gibson and M. S. Peacock.
- "3. Yes, subject to approval of Executive Council; M. S. Peacock's.
- "4. C. C. Gibson, \$1,500; M. S. Peacock, \$3,000.
- "5. 20 per cent. cash; balance over fifteen years with interest at 6 per cent."

### HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

His Honour the Administrator having entered the House, and being seated in the chair,— William H. Langley, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills :--

- (No. 1) An Act to amend the "Execution Act."
- (No. 4) An Act to amend the "Attachment of Debts Act."
- (No. 5) An Act to consolidate and amend the "Stock-brands Act."
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the "Police and Prisons Regulation Act."
- (No. 7) An Act respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of British Columbia and Alberta.
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Superannuation Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Teachers' Pensions Act."
- (No. 11) An Act to repeal the "Lillooet Water Commissioner's Appointment Act, 1902."
- (No. 12) An Act respecting the Removal of Disqualifications on Account of Sex.
- (No. 13) An Act to amend the "Court of Appeal Act."
- (No. 14) An Act to amend the "Assignment of Book Accounts Act."
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the "Game Act."
- (No. 16) An Act respecting the Shipment and Sale of Coal.
- (No. 17) An Act to amend the "Fire Marshal Act."
- (No. 18) An Act to amend the "Moving Pictures Act."
- (No. 19) An Act to consolidate and amend the "Noxious Weeds Act."
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the "Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Phosphate-mining Act."
- (No. 22) An Act to amend the "Land Act."
- (No. 23) An Act to amend the "Grazing Act."
- (No. 24) An Act to amend the "Animals Act."
- (No. 25) An Act to amend the "County Courts Act."
- (No. 27) An Act to amend the "Vital Statistics Act."
- (No. 28) An Act to amend the "Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children Act."
- (No. 29) An Act for the Protection of the Flowering Dogwood.
- (No. 30) An Act to consolidate and amend the "Boiler Inspection Act."
- (No. 31) An Act respecting Crown Grants of Lands in the Municipality of The Corporation of the District of North Vancouver.
- (No. 32) An Act respecting Threshers' Liens.
- (No. 34) An Act to amend the "Deserted Wives' Maintenance Act."
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Absconding Debtors Act."
- (No. 36) An Act to amend the "Small Debts Courts Act."
- (No. 37) An Act to amend the "Co-operative Associations Act."
- (No. 38) An Act to amend the "Greater Vancouver Water District Act."
- (No. 39) An Act to consolidate and amend the "Mothers' Pensions Act."
- (No. 40) An Act to amend the "Produce Marketing Act."
- (No. 41) An Act to amend the "Dentistry Act."
- (No. 42) An Act to amend the "Optometry Act."
- (No. 43) An Act to amend the "Security Frauds Prevention Act."
- (No. 44) An Act to amend the "Barbers Act."
- (No. 46) An Act to amend the "Insurance Act."

(No. 47) An Act to amend the "Town Planning Act."

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(No. 48) An Act to amend the "Weekly Half-holiday Act." (No. 49) An Act to amend the "Highway Act." (No. 50) An Act to amend the "Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, Act." (No. 51) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921." (No. 52) An Act to amend the "First Narrows Bridge Company, Limited, Act." (No. 53) An Act respecting the Greater Vancouver Tunnel Company, Limited. (No. 54) An Act to validate certain By-laws of the Municipality of the City of Chilliwack. (No. 55) An Act to enable the Corporation of the District of Mission to guarantee certain Debentures of the Farmers' Cold Storage Company, Limited. (No. 56) An Act to amend the "Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act, 1927." (No. 60) An Act to amend the "Land Registry Act." (No. 61) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act." (No. 62) An Act to amend the "Real-estate Agents' Licensing Act." (No. 63) An Act to amend the "Savings and Loan Associations Act." (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Hairdressers Act." (No. 65) An Act to amend the "Workmen's Compensation Act." (No. 66) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act." (No. 67) An Act to amend the "Jury Act." (No. 68) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act." (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Forest Act." (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act." (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Old-age Pension Act." (No. 72) An Act to provide for the Payment of an Allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline. (No. 73) An Act to amend the "Taxation Act." (No. 74) An Act to impose a Special Revenue Tax. (No. 75) An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified. (No. 76) An Act to amend the "Provincial Elections Act." (No. 78) An Act to amend the "Coal-mines Regulation Act." (No. 80) An Act to amend the "British Columbia University Act." (No. 82) An Act to amend the "Government Liquor Act." (No. 83) An Act to amend the "Water Act." (No. 84) An Act to amend the "Summary Convictions Act." (No. 85) An Act to amend the "Male Minimum Wage Act." (No. 87) An Act to amend the "Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act." (No. 88) An Act respecting Unemployment Relief. (No. 89) An Act to indemnify the Members of Committees of Direction under the "Produce

His Honour was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:-----

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth assent to these Bills."

Then the Honourable Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Administrator as follows:----

## MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR :

Marketing Act."

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say :---

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill.

Then His Honour the Administrator was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:----

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this Third Session of the Seventeenth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia, I wish to express my appreciation of the attention which you have given to the many important questions submitted for your consideration.

The "Boiler Inspection Act" has been consolidated with a view to the protection of the public and those in charge of such equipment, the efficient operation of which is so important to the public safety.

The "Jury Act" has been amended in order to empower the presiding Judge, in necessitous cases, to excuse a juror from attendance.

The "Mothers' Pensions Act" has been amended and consolidated to meet the conditions of the present time.

The Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Removal of Disqualifications on Account of Sex" is intended to remove certain doubts which have existed as to sex or marriage being a factor of disqualification for the holding of any civil or judicial post, or from entering any profession.

Under the amendments to the "Public Schools Act," further provision has been made in respect of public education.

The subject of Unemployment has been dealt with in a Bill ratifying Agreements with the Federal Government in that behalf.

It is regretted that the world-wide depression has not ignored British Columbia in its progress, and it has been necessary, in order to meet unemployment and other unavoidable demands, to seek further sources of revenue. However, it is hoped that this necessity is of a transitory nature only.

I trust that these and the various other laws and amendments you have enacted will inure to the welfare of the Province.

I thank you for the Supplies so generously granted for the Public Service.

In relieving you from your labours, I trust that the blessing of Providence will accompany you to your respective homes.

### The Hon, Mr. Howe, Provincial Secretary, then said :---

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Administrator's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

C. F. DAVIE, Speaker.

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