# Monday, March 26th, 1934.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to provide for the Exercise by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of certain Powers during the Interim between the Sessions of the Legislature" was again committed.

The Chairman of the Committee on such Bill reported to Mr. Speaker that a point of order had arisen in the Committee on Mr. McGeer's motion to amend as follows:—

Section 2, subsec. (2): To insert after the word "Province" the words "for the purpose of relieving economical and financial distress, and for the purpose of establishing a publicly owned bank of British Columbia under and pursuant to the banking and currency laws of the Dominion of Canada. The object and purpose of the said Provincial bank shall be to co-operate with the proposed Bank of Canada in the regulation and control of the issue of circulation of currency and credit, and the conducting of the banking business of the Province and all departments of public service connected therewith, municipalities, all other public bodies, and the general promotion of the best interests of the economical and financial welfare of the Province of British Columbia. And for the purpose of establishing a Provincial Farm and Home Loan Bank with power to advance funds to relieve the distress of farm and home owners in this depression, and to maintain a more equitable means of financing the development of farm and home. The amount to be borrowed not to exceed the sum of ten million dollars over and above such amount not exceeding nineteen million dollars as may be required to take care of existing deficits and shortages."

That the Chairman had ruled the amendment out of order on the grounds that it involved the expenditure of public money and was beyond the competence of a private member to move, and that his decision had been appealed from.

Question proposed—"Shall the Chair be sustained?"

The ruling of the Chair was sustained on the following division:-

# Yeas—34.

		Messieurs	
King	Harris	Manson	Putnam
Asselstine	Burns	Hart	Johnson
McDonald, A.	Wismer	Pattullo	Wilkinson
Kenney	McPherson, D.	Sloan	McKeen
Murray	Leary	Weir	MacPherson, F. M.
MacKay	Gillis	Tupper	Pearson
Planta	Smith, Mrs.	Carson	Gray
Winch, E. E.	Barrow	Whittaker	$MacDonald, K.\ C.$
Strachan	Sutherland		
		NAYS—12.	
		Messieurs	
Savage	Swailes	Bruhn	Connell
Bakevell	McGeer	Pooley	Winch, H. E.
Anderson	Anscomb	Uphill	Price

The House continued to sit after midnight.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27TH.

Bill reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported 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 1.10 a.m.

# Tuesday, March 27th, 1934.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Stock-brands Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act,'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Societies Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to extend the Duration of the 'Insurance (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1932'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Women" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Department of Mines Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Hours of Work Act, 1923," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Community Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment,

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

REPORT No. 15.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 23rd, 1934.

#### MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:—

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act, 1927.'"

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was taken as read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. D. McPherson presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Mining, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 27th, 1934.

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Mr. Speaker:

Your Select Standing Committee on Mining begs leave to report as follows:—

We have carefully considered a great number of matters affecting the progress and development of the mining industry, presently as well as potentially, and we beg to make the following recommendations:—

- (1.) That some measure of compensation-protection be extended to bona-fide prospectors injured in the course of their labour as such.
- (2.) That citizens in receipt of relief allowances who, having no prospect of other employment, wish to engage in prospecting should not be denied their relief allowance while so engaged.
- (3.) That rock-dust and silicosis be considered as occupational diseases within the meaning of the "Workmen's Compensation Act."
- (4.) That the Department of Mines take steps to utilize in some measure the available relief labour for the advancement of mining activities along the lines recommended by various Boards of Trade and other bodies.
- (5.) That the "Taxation Act" be amended as soon as practicable so as to cancel all accumulated tax arrears on reverted Crown-granted mineral claims which have been vested in the Crown for ten years or longer, and that this become a permanent policy.
- (6.) That the Minister of Mines be urged to investigate the advisability of amending section 23 of the "Mineral Act" so that the Crown, as represented by the Forest Branch, may be protected against the loss of royalty fees on timber which under this section now prohibits the latter from selling such timber, even when useless for any mining purposes.
- (7.) That, in view of the obviously large bodies of low-grade ores existing in various portions of the Province, the Government be requested to undertake, preferably in conjunction with private interests, the establishment of two small portable mills, one in the northern and one in the southern portion of the Province, for the purpose of testing the commercial possibilities of these ore-bodies, which are not of sufficiently high valuation to stand shipping charges without concentrating.
  - (8.) That every reasonable assistance be afforded prospectors by way of assay services. All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

D. McPherson, Chairman.

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 12.30 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 27th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act Amendment Act, 1934,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 27th, 1934.

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. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act Amendment Act, 1934,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Planta moved, seconded by Mr. Putnam,-

Whereas certain honourable members of this Assembly have carried ex-political debate on the deliberations of this House to public gatherings convened with mischievous intent and for the purpose of influencing public opinion on measures still incomplete and under consideration by this Legislature:

And whereas this practice is deemed to be prejudicial to the best interests of good government and the welfare of our people and not compatible with the dignity of parliamentary procedure:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House places itself on record as deploring such practices by any honourable members of this Legislature.

Mr. Connell rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker stated that, in his opinion, the motion was out of order on the ground that it imputed unworthy motives to honourable members.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. Manson, Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" was withdrawn.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933," and amendments thereto introduced by Message on 23rd instant.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

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

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

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Escheats Act.'"

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Collection Agents' Licensing Act.'"

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia Insurance Company Act."

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 27th, 1934.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 27th, 1934.

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. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Mr. Barrow presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 27th, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:-

Whereas the Parliament of Canada has at present under consideration legislation relating to the stabilization and control of farm products and the orderly distribution of these products:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature go on record as being in favour of such Provincial legislation as will supplement and dovetail into the pending Federal legislation, to the end that the interests of the agricultural industry will be protected and sustained to the fullest possible extent.

E. D. BARROW, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. Whittaker, Report No. 1 of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters was adopted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.49 p.m.

# Wednesday, March 28th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

On the consideration of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to provide for the Exercise by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of certain Powers during the Interim between the Sessions of the Legislature," as reported from Committee of the Whole, Mr. Bruhn moved in amendment as follows:—

To strike out clause (8) of section 2 and to renumber the following subsections.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS-13. Messieurs Savage Winch, E. E. Bruhn Connell Bakewell McGeerPoolen Winch, H. E. AndersonAnscomb UphillPriceSwailes NAYS-30. Messieurs King Burns Pattullo Johnson Asselstine Wismer Sloan Wilkinson McDonald, A. Learn Weir McKeen Kenney Hanna MacPherson, F. M. Tupper Smith, Mrs. MurrayPearson Carson Sutherland MacKayWhittaker Gran Planta Manson Putnam MacDonald, K. C. Harris Hart

Savage

Bakewell

Mr. McGeer moved in amendment as follows:-

Swailes

Winch, E. E.

Section 2: To strike out subsection (10).

Section 6: To strike out the section, and to substitute therefor the following:

"6. This Act and ordinances made and promulgated thereunder shall have effect only until the commencement of the next session of the Legislature, but no Act or thing done nor any right, privilege, obligation, liability, or penalty required, accrued, accruing, incurred, or established under any ordinance as hereinbefore provided shall be affected by the fact that the ordinance by reason of this section ceases to have effect, unless the Legislature during the next session shall otherwise decree by resolution or enactment which may be introduced for debate, decree, or enactment by any member of the Legislative Assembly."

The amendments were negatived on the following division:-

### Yeas—12.

#### Messieurs

Anscomb

Bruhn

Connctl

Winch, H. E.

Anderson	McGeer	Pooley	Price
		Nays—34.	
		Messieurs	
King	Burns	Manson	Putnam
Asselstine	Wismer	Hart	Johnson
McDonald, A.	McPherson, D.	Pattullo	Wilkinson
Kenney	Leary	Sloan	McKeen
Murray	Gillis	Weir	MaePherson, F. M.
MacKay	Hanna	Tupper	Pearson
Planta	Smith, Mrs.	Carson	Gray
Strachan	Barrow	Whittaker	MacDonald, K. C.
Harris	Sutherland		

Bill read a third time on the following division:-

### YEAS-34.

#### Messieurs

King	Burns	Manson	Putnam
Asselstine	Wismer	Hart	Johnson
McDonald, A.	McPherson, D.	Pattullo	Wilkinson
Kenney	Leary	Sloan	McKeen
Murray	Gillis	Weir	MacPherson, F. M.
MacKay	Hanna	Tupper	Pearson
Planta	Smith, Mrs.	Carson	Gray
Strachan	Barrow	Whittaker	MacDonald, K. C.
Harris	Sutherland		
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#### Messieurs

Savage	Winch, E. E.	Bruhn	Connell
Bakewell	McGeer	Pooley	Winch, H. E.
Anderson	Anscomb	Uphill	Price
Swailes			

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Stock-brands Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Children of Unmarried Parents Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal and Petroleum Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Petroleum and Natural Gas Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Escheats Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Collection Agents' Licensing Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933," and amendments thereto introduced by Message on 23rd instant.

The debate continued.

The House divided.

Question proposed—"Shall the Bill, and the amendments thereto introduced by Message on the 23rd instant, be now read a second time?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:-

YEAS-37.

Messieurs

King	Wismer	Barrow	Whittaker
Asselstine	Anscomb	Sutherland	Putnam
McDonald, A.	Bruhn	Manson	Johnson
Kenney	Pooley	Hart	Wilkinson
Murray	McPherson, D.	Pattullo	McKeen
MacKay	Leary	Sloan	$MacPherson, F.\ M.$
Planta	Gillis	Weir	P carson
Strachan	Hanna	Tupper	Gray
Harris	Smith, Mrs.	Carson	MacDonald, K. C.
Rurns			

Nays—10.

Messieurs

Savage	Swailes	Uphill	Winch, H. E.
Bakewell	Winch, E. E.	Connell	Price
Anderson	McGeer		

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Anscomb, adjourned to the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act.'"

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act.'"

On the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. McGeer, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 28th, 1934.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The following 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. Pattullo (in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Pearson)—Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon, Mr. Pattullo (in the absence of the Hon, Mr. Pearson)—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon, Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon, Mr. Sloan—Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Sloan—Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act.'"

The Hon. Mr. Weir presented the Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

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

- 1. Is a pension being granted Miss Lottie Bowron, late Welfare Officer?
- 2. If so, of what amount?

The Hon. Mr. Weir replied as follows:-

"1 and 2. The matter is under consideration."

Mr. H. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

- 1. Was the Legislative Chamber used for a session of the Tuxis Older Boys' Parliament in December, 1933?
  - 2. If so, who gave permission for such use?
  - 3. Is it the intention to grant use of Chamber in 1934 or 1935?
- 4. If so, will the Chamber be available for other organizations who wish to hold conventions and meetings, such as the Salvation Army, Unemployed Workers' Association, Revivalists, Trades and Labour Councils, Liberals, Conservatives, C.C.F., or Oxford Groupers?

The Hon. Mr. Weir replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes, following the practice of eleven years' standing.
- "2. The Hon, S. F. Tolmie.
- "3. No request received for 1934 or 1935.
- "4. The Legislative Chamber is not available for the purposes specified in this question"

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 1.08 p.m.

# Wednesday, March 28th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Insurance Company Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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On the second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act'" a debate arose.

The House divided.

Bill read a second time on the following division:-

		YEAS-31.	
		Messieurs	
King	Harris	Manson	Johnson
Asselstine	Burns	Hart	Wilkinson
McDonald, A.	Wismer	Pattullo	McKeen
Kenney	Uphill	Sloan	MacPherson, F. M.
Murray	Leary	Tupper	Pearson
MacKay	Hanna	Carson	Gray
Planta	Smith, Mrs.	Whittaker	MacDonald, K, C.
Strachan	Sutherland	Putnam	
		NAYS-13.	
		Messieurs	
Savage	Winch, E. E.	Pooley	Price
Bakevell	McGcer	Connell	Gillis
Anderson	Bruhn	Winch, H, E,	Barrow
Swaites	*		

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company."

The House divided.

Bill read a second time on the following division:-

		YEAS31.	
		Messieurs	
King	Burns	Hart	Johnson
Asselstine	Wismer	Pat'ullo	Wilkinson
McDonald, A.	Bruhn	Sloan	McKeen
Kenney	Pooley	Weir	MacPherson, F. M
MacKay	Leary	Tupper	Pearson
Planta	Gillis	Carson	Gray
Strachan	Barrow	Whittaker	MacDonald, K. C.
Harris	Manson	Putnam	
		Nays—10.	
		Messieurs	
Savage	Swailes	Uphill	Winch, H. E.
Bakewell	Winch, E. E.	Connell	Price
Anderson	McGeer		

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' was again committed. Progress reported.

Committe to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Libraries Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were read a second time, and Ordered to be committed at the next sitting:—

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

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act."

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act.'"

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act."

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

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

Mr. Leary presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Forestry, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 28th, 1934.

### MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Forestry begs leave to report as follows:-

- 1. We recommend a strong policy of forest protection and conservation of our natural timber wealth until loss of forest material is reduced to the minimum.
- 2. We believe that the Canadian Forestry Association are doing excellent work in arousing a forest-conscience with our people, and urge that this Legislature give every reasonable financial assistance to continue on this work.
- 3. We recommend the extension of forest service to determine quantity and quality of our accessible timber stands.
- 4. That a revision of the entire system of forest administration within the next year be made, and that the wasteful high-lead logging methods be investigated. That full investigation of actual fire-fighting responsibilities, slash-disposal, and intensive research-work be undertaken before the next meeting of this Legislature.

S. LEARY, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

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

Whereas Mr. Thomas King, the member for the Columbia Electoral District, was duly elected such member after the commencement of the present Session, and took his seat in the House on the 8th day of March last, immediately after such election, and has been in daily attendance in the House ever since:

And whereas it is just and reasonable that the said *Thomas King* should be paid the full sessional allowance:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay the full sessional indemnity to the said *Thomas King* as if he had been present during each and every day of the Session.

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 5.53 p.m.

# Wednesday, March 28th, 1934.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Insurance Company Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Income Tax Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendment.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendment.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act.'"

Bill read a second time and, by leave of the House, committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

On consideration of the Bill as reported, Mr. McGeer moved to amend as follows:-

Section 6, subsec. 42B (1), line 3: To insert after the word "Provincial" the words "or municipal."

Section 6, subsect 428 (2): To insert the following as subsections (d) and (e):—

- "(d.) Consolidate, manage, administer, or deal with the municipal debts, or any portion thereof, of any city or municipality in the Province and conduct the liquidation thereof without incurring any additional expense to the Province either in whole or in part:
- "(e.) To defer the payment of interest payable on any Provincial or municipal loan, or any portion thereof, for such period of time as he may deem necessary to avoid the financial and economic distress of Government and taxpayers."

The amendments were negatived on the following division:-

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King	Harris	Manson	Putnam
Asselstine	Burns	Hart	Wilkinson
McDonald, A.	Wismer	Pat!ullo	McKeen
Kenney	Anscomb	Sloan	MacPherson, F. M.
Murray	Leavy	Weir	Pearson
MacKay	Smith, Mrs.	Tupper	Gray
Planta	Barrow	Carson	MacDonald, K. C.
Strachan	Sutherland	Whittaker	

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Barbers Act' was committed. Reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was committed.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29TH.

Bill reported complete with amendments.

To be considered as reported at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was read a second time and, by leave of the House, committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Third reading at the next sitting.

With reference to the notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Anderson, as follows:—

Whereas plans for the policy and administration of the British Columbia Government depend upon the policy to be adopted by the Canadian Government:

And whereas the Canadian Parliament has not yet informed the Government of British Columbia as to what action it intends to take in respect to national and Provincial problems or emergencies:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature do not prorogue until the policy to be adopted by the Canadian Parliament is fully explained to the Government of British Columbia, and said plans are laid before and considered by this Legislature.

Mr. Speaker delivered the following ruling:—

Honourable Members:

In reference to the Resolution (No. 1) by Mr. Anderson, the honourable member for North Vancouver, this appears to be a novel form of Resolution, and there is little at the moment to guide me without some time for intensive research.

In the first place, the Resolution would be out of order if it dictated a policy of the Government, but it cannot properly be said that prorogation is a matter of policy of the Government, as the Legislature while in session is supreme. As no motion or order for prorogation appears to have been made in this House, it appears clear that prorogation is a prerogative of the Lieutenant-Governor, who in practice takes the advice of the Prime Minister.

Secondly, I must remember that the honourable members have right of access to His Honour, through Mr. Speaker, at all times. Therefore, so long as the majority of the members desire to continue in session it would be quite in order for a majority to so decide, but the Resolution if carried would be totally ineffective and unnecessary to effect a continuation of session.

It would appear, from a rapid survey of authorities, that while the Legislature has power to change the Constitution as provided in the "British North America Act," section 92 (1), legislation for such purposes cannot be introduced by private members without the sanction of the Government. I am therefore of the opinion that the motion to prorogue before being debated must receive the sanction of the Government, and if such is not forthcoming the motion will be ruled out of order.

H. G. Perry, Speaker.

Mr. Speaker ruled out of order the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Planta:—

Whereas certain honourable members of this Assembly have carried discussion on the deliberations of this House to public gatherings convened for the purpose of influencing public opinion on measures still incomplete and under consideration by this Legislature:

And whereas this practice is deemed to be prejudicial to the best interests of good government and the welfare of our people and not compatible with the dignity of parliamentary procedure:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House places itself on record as deploring such practices by any honourable members of this Legislature.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 11 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.25 a.m.

# Thursday, March 29th, 1934.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors."

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Optometry" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments, considered as reported.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Income Tax Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the "Municipal Act" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments, considered as reported. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia Insurance Company Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion that Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act'" be now read a third time a debate arose.

The House divided.

Bill read a third time on the following division:-

### YEAS-28.

#### Messieurs

McDonald, A. Wismer HartKenney LearyPattullo MacKayHanna Sloan Planta Smith, Mrs. Weir Strachan Rarrow TupperHarris Sutherland Carson Burns Manson Whittaker

Putnam Wilkinson McKeen

MacPherson, F. M. Pearson

Gray

MacDonald, K. C.

### Nays—13.

#### Messieurs

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Anderson
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Winch, E. E.
McGeer
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On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*, Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Cemeteries Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Sloan, Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Merritt" was introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House. Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. H. E. Winch were withdrawn:

- 1. Have any requests been received from logging companies operating in Courtenay, Campbell River, or adjoining districts for extra policemen to be stationed at or near their properties?
  - 2. If yes, have any extra policemen been sent; and, if so, how many?
- 3. If yes, on what date were they sent, and why are extra policemen required in these districts?

Mr. E. E. Winch asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

- 1. Does the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company own any acreage of timber lands in the Duncan, Nanaimo, and Cumberland Assessment Districts respectively?
  - 2. If yes, what is the acreage of such lands?
  - 3. What is the average valuation per acre for each district?
- 4. Has the Department any information or estimate as to the stand of timber per acre on the lands held by the company named?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. 17,149, 3,923, 4,991, respectively.
- "3. \$62.15, \$62.07, \$93.06, respectively.
- "4. Yes."

Mr. Pooley asked the Hon, the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

- 1. What is the total Provincial revenue from all sources?
- 2. What is the total Provincial revenue of Vancouver Island?
- 3. What is the total Provincial expenditure within the Province?
- 4. What is the total Provincial expenditure on Vancouver Island?
- 5. What is the total Provincial taxation per capita?
- 6. What is the Provincial taxation on Vancouver Island per capita?
- 7. What is the population of British Columbia?
- 8. What is the population of Vancouver Island?
- 9. What is the total Dominion revenue within the Province of British Columbia?
- 10. What is the total Dominion revenue on Vancouver Island?
- 11. What is the total Dominion expenditure in British Columbia?
- 12. What is the total Dominion expenditure on Vancouver Island?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

- "1. Presuming that these questions are asked as to the last fiscal year ended March 31st, 1933, \$20,389,951.85.
  - "2. Cannot segregate.
- "3. An answer to this question would entail going through a mass of vouchers and could not be ready before prorogation.
  - "4. Answered by No. 3.
- "5. An answer to this question would entail segregating receipts from taxation from total revenue and could not be got ready before prorogation.
  - "6. Answered by No. 5.
  - " 7. 694,263.
  - "8. 120.933.
  - "9, 10, 11, and 12. No record."

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.51 p.m.

# Thursday, March 29th, 1934.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Marketing of Natural Products," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 29th, 1934.

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 provide for the Marketing of Natural Products," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mrs. Smith presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

# Mr. Speaker:

March 29th, 1934.

Your Select Standing Committee on Printing begs leave to report as follows:-

- 1. Your Committee commends the King's Printer, Mr. Banfield, for his successful efforts in curtailing costs in his Department in the interests of economy.
- 2. Your Committee recommends that all the members of the Legislature be circularized to ascertain which Annual and Departmental Reports they may desire.
- 3. Your Committee recommends to the consideration of this House the advisability of utilizing the facilities of the Government printing plant for the printing of selected text-books, with a

view to providing additional employment and using the exceptional advantages of Government printing equipment to the fullest extent.

- 4. Your Committee recommends that certain Acts be consolidated for greater usefulness, notably the "Forest Act," the "Motor-vehicle Act," and the "Mineral Act."
- 5. Your Committee further recommends the advisability of undertaking a revision of the Statutes.
- Your Committee recommends that all reports be closely edited, having in mind retaining of values at a minimum of costs.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HELEN D. SMITH, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

Mr. Speaker declared a suspension of the sitting until 3.50 p.m., and left the chair.

SEVEN MINUTES PAST FOUR O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor 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 "Interpretation Act."
- (No. 3) An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933.
- (No. 4) An Act to amend the "Moving Pictures Act."
- (No. 5) An Act to amend the "Agent-General Act."
- (No. 6) An Act to amend and consolidate the "Male Minimum Wage Act."
- (No. 7) An Act to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, and for the Creation of an Economic Council.
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Conditional Sales Act."
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Administration Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Superannuation Act."
- (No. 11) An Act to amend the "Jury Act."
- (No. 12) An Act to amend the "Legal Professions Act."
- (No. 13) An Act to give Further Power to Courts with respect to Recovery of Money secured by Mortgage and Similar Matters.
- (No. 14) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act."
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the "Stock-brands Act."
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the "Horse-breeders' Registration and Lien Act."
- (No. 17) An Act respecting Chiropractors.
- (No. 19) An Act to provide for the Investigation of Titles to Lands in Barkerville Townsite.
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the "Barbers Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
- (No. 22) An Act to amend the "Grazing Act."
- (No. 23) An Act to amend the "Water Act."
- (No. 24) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 25) An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to the Payment of Succession Duty.
- (No. 26) An Act to establish a Department of Municipal Affairs.
- (No. 27) An Act to amend the "Chiropody Act."
- (No. 28) An Act to amend the "Societies Act."
- (No. 29) An Act to extend the Duration of the "Insurance (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1932."
- (No. 30) An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to the Payment of Probate Duty.

- (No. 31) An Act to amend the "Hospital Act."
- (No. 32) An Act to amend the "Fisheries Act."
- (No. 33) An Act to amend and consolidate the Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Women.
- (No. 34) An Act to amend the "Revenue Act."
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Coroners Act."
- (No. 36) An Act to provide for the Exercise by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of certain Powers during the Interim between the Sessions of the Legislature.
- (No. 37) An Act to amend the "Hairdressers Act."
- (No. 38) An Act to amend and consolidate the "Department of Mines Act."
- (No. 39) An Act to amend the "Community Regulation Act."
- (No. 40) An Act to amend the "Children of Unmarried Parents Act."
- (No. 41) An Act to amend and consolidate the "Hours of Work Act, 1923."
- (No. 42) An Act to amend the "Factories Act."
- (No. 43) An Act respecting Moneys appropriated for Unemployment Relief.
- (No. 44) An Act to repeal the "Hospitals Aid Act."
- (No. 45) An Act respecting the Practice of Optometry.
- (No. 46) An Act to amend the "Medical Act."
- (No. 47) An Act to amend the "Coal and Petroleum Act."
- (No. 48) An Act to repeal the "Petroleum and Natural Gas Act."
- (No. 49) An Act to amend the "Mineral Act."
- (No. 50) An Act to amend the "Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act."
- (No. 51) An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.
- (No. 52) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921."
- (No. 53) An Act to authorize Herschel Roads Harrison to practise Law.
- (No. 54) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Insurance Company Act."
- (No. 56) An Act to amend "The First Narrows Bridge Company, Limited, Act."
- (No. 60) An Act to amend the "Escheats Act."
- (No. 61) An Act to amend the "Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act."
- (No. 62) An Act to amend the "Public Libraries Act."
- (No. 63) An Act to amend the "Collection Agents' Licensing Act."
- (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Placer-mining Act."
- (No. 66) An Act to amend the "Land Act."
- (No. 67) An Act to amend the "Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act."
- (No. 68) An Act to amend the "Income Tax Act."
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Constitution Act Amendment Act, 1934."
- (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
- (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act."
- (No. 72) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 73) An Act to amend the "County Courts Act."
- (No. 74) An Act to amend the "Teachers' Pensions Act."
- (No. 75) An Act to amend the "Summary Convictions Act."
- (No. 76) An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company.
- (No. 78) An Act to amend the "Agricultural Act."
- (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Municipal Cemeteries Act."
- (No. 80) An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Merritt.
- (No. 81) An Act to provide for the Marketing of Natural Products.

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 Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Then Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

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. 65) 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 Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this the First Session of the Eighteenth Parliament of British Columbia, I wish to express appreciation of the earnest consideration which you have given to the many important matters submitted to you.

The existing conditions of emergency make vital the enactment of measures properly to meet them, and I feel sure that the measures which you have formulated will redound to the apbuilding of British Columbia, and will play an important part in the maintenance of the national integrity.

I thank you for the supply 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. Weir, Provincial Secretary, then said:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor'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.

H. G. PERRY, Speaker.