PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Business of the Session Complet d Before Midnight Last Night.

Hon. Mr. Davie Congratulated Upon His Rumored Elevation to the Bench.

> FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY. Monday, Feb. 20.

The speaker took the chair at two

Mr. Mutter moved the following reso-

lution: "Resolved, that the members of the provincial legislature have the right and power to visit and inspect the various public institutions of the province at any time they may think proper, and to re-

The motion was agreed to.

intend doing with the report of the comtend amending the conciliation and arbring parties in a dispute together? If statistics, as asked by the working class-

of the commission? contended that a member could not ask and costs of collection, and shall, for a question without having given notice the purpose of securing the interest upon

that the government had taken no ac- ed by the said act. tion on the report of the labor commisto shirk questions in which laboring men tice thereof published in the British Cowere concerned.

Hon, Col. Baker said he would gladly such repeal. have given any information if the hon. gentleman had spoken to him.

Mr. Braden pointed out that he had frequently sought for information from the provincial secretary and had not brought the question up until forced to do so on account of the early prorogation of the house.

Mr. Williams asked the chief commissioner of lands and works: When are official scalers to be appointed? When is a diagram scale to go into force?

Hon. Mr. Martin-The government have the matter under their consideration. It had not been decided when the appointments would be made.

On consideration on the report of the New Westminster city bill, Mr. Kennedy moved to strike out the provision that the voters in that city, whether property owners or not, must be British subjects before being eligible to vote.

The speaker ruled that the clause having been inserted on report could not be struck out unless the bill was recommit-

Dr. Walkem moved an amendment to als should be exempt from taxation. Mr Kennedy opposed the amendment.

Hon. Mr. I avie pointed out that until last year the city of New Westminster had remitted the taxes on a hospital and orphanage, but last year they refused to do so and the institution was called upon to pay \$378 for taxes.

The amendment was adopted. After the report on the bill had been mit the bill for the purpose of striking out the British subject provision.

The bill was recommitted, the provisthrough the final stages.

The Vancouver city bill was read a third time and passed.

The companies act amendment bill was read a third time and passed. n consideration of the revenue tax

bill Mr. Kitchen moved an amendment providing that the tax shall not be colletced from an employer after the emplove who owes it has left his employ. The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed.

The contagious diseases bill passed through committee, was read a third time and agreed to. Hon. Mr. Davie moved the second

reading of the bill respecting the Cariboo Liydraulic mining company, which proposes to allow the company a greater supply of water.

The bill was read a second time and the house went into committee on it, Mr. Prentice in the chair. Mr. Adams moved the following as a

new section: "That the lease granted on the 16th

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of May, 1804, by the lieut.-governor in to be made on the various portions of council to the Cariboo Hydraulic mining such real property."

company he, and the same is hereby declared to be, valid and binding." It was pointed out that the new clause was introduced to validate the charter, the company having broken it by em-

ploying Chinese or Japanese. The amendment was adopted, and the committee rose, to sit again in the evening for the purpose of adding the lease as a schedule to the act.

read a third time and passed. Hon. Mr. Davie presented a message from the lieut.-governor submitting amendments to the drainage and dyking bill. The new clauses are as fol-

The cattle act amendment bill

lows: "And wheras the Sumas dyking comirrigation act, 1894, and have incurred other expenses in preliminary steps toport thereon to the government should wards reclamation works upon Sumas they not find matters in any institution prairie and surrounding neighborhood to which they will offer for the property of the amount of about eight thousand dol- the company or companies whose operalars:

"Therefore be it enacted that section thirty days have elapsed after such no-Mr. Braden, on a question of privi- 55 of the said act shall be so construed tice of such price shall have been comlege, asked the government what they as to authorize the lieut.-governor in municated to such company or compacouncil to give a guarantee, under the | nies: mission of labor inquiry. If they in- provisions of the last mentioned section, for the interest upon any sum, not to bitration act to make it compulsory to exceed eighteen thousand dollars, which may have been incurred by the commisthey intend re-establishing the labor bu- sioners in the preliminary steps aforereau for the purpose of collecting labor said, and to levy assessments upon the lands affected by the filing of the said es, and the reasons given in the report plan and memorandum, and on the owners and occupiers thereof, from time to Hon. Col. Baker, on a point of order, time, for the amount of interest, dues the moneys to be so guaranteed, and Mr. Braden said his complaint was costs, have all other the powers conferr-

"From and after a date to be named The government always seemed by the lieut-governor in council, and nolumbia Gazette, section 55 of the drain-The speaker ruled that Mr. Braden age, dyking and irrigation act, 1894, was quite in order in asking a minister shall stand repealed, but such repeal why action had not been taken in some shall not affect the validity of any guarantee given antecedent to the date of

> The bill was read a third time and passed. On consideration of the report on the municipal bill Mr. Helmcken moved the

> following as a new section: "Sub-section 12 of section 38, municipal act amendment act, 1894, is hereby repealed and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

"In all cases where a main or branch sewer has been heretofore laid or constructed in any street, or through any lot or land, the council shall have the power to pass a by-law and thereby to assess, levy and collect, by means of a special rate, a sum sufficient to defray the cost of such laying or construction, and to ascertain and determine the real property to a chargeable therewith, and the proportions in which the assessment is to be made on the various portions of such real property."

The speaker ruled that such an amend. ment would have to be introduced in committee, as it changed the whole system of taxation. Mr. Helmcken moved to strike out

section 18 of the bill, which provides make it more certain that public hospit- that a judgment obtained for taxes shall have the same priority over other claims as ordinary taxes.

> The amendment was defeated The house rose at 5.50.

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The municipal bill was again taken up, and Mr. Kitchen moved to reinsert the clauses providing for a club license. The city members opposing the clause, adopted Mr. Kennedy moved to recom- Mr. Sword moved an amendment to make it apply only to township munici-

palities. The clause and the amendment were ion was struck out and the bill passed both lost, Messrs. Kellie, Eberts and Booth voting with the opposition in fa-

vor of the clause. Mr. Sword moved to amend the act

of 1892 by adding the following proviso to section 287: "The conditions required previous to application for incorporation by an outlying district shall, so far as applicable,

be complied with by the parties so petitioning: "h No high land contiguous to such low lying, marshy or overflowed lands shall be so withdrawn from a municipality, or so incorporated into another municipality, unless a majority in num-

ber and interest of the owners of such The amendment was negatived.

Mr. Braden moved the following as a new section: "That the municipal council of the city of Victoria shall not, directly or indirectly, employ or pay for any alien labor on municipal works, and that a clause to this effect shall be inserted in all city contracts, and that any contractor employing alien labor shall not have any claim for the same against the city."

Hon. Mr. Davie opposed the amendment. It was restricting the council even more than he had attempted to do. The matter should be left to the coun-

The amendment was lost, Messrs, Irving, Braden, McPherson, Walkem, Kit- nedy, Kitchen and Williams-14. chen and McGregor alone voting for it. On the motion for the third reading tion. Mr. Eberts moved that the bill be recommitted for the purpose of making ed to inquire into the claim of W. P. the following amendment:

"Sub-section 12 of section 38, municipal act amendment act, 1894, is hereby repealed and the following sub-section Sunday obseravnce bill. Leave grantinserted in lieu thereof:

"In all cases where a main or branch sewer has been heretofore laid or constructed in any street, or through any lot or land, the council shall have power to pass a by-law and thereby to assess, levy and collect, by means of a special report. rate, a sum sufficient to repay the cost of such laying or construction, and to 14 to 15. A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free ascertain and determine the real properfrom Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. ty to be chargeable therewith, and the the committee of the homestead bill be Nanaimo. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD proportions in which the assessment is discharged. Agreed to.

This is the same amendment proposed by Mr. Helmcken during the afternoon and ruled out of order, as it had not been introduced at the proper time. The bill was ordered to be recommit

Captain Irving moved that the con mittee be instructed to consider the following clause "Section 104 of the municipal act,

ing new clause:

1892, is amended by adding the follow-

"10a. In case there be any gas, elec tric lighting, tramway, street railway, ferry or water company incorporated bill. Referred to committee, reported and carrying on their business within to the house and incorporated in the the limits of the said municipality, the council-shall not pass any by-law for the purpose of constructing any such works, or by virtue of which the municmissioners have had a plan and mem- ipality shall become a competitor in the orandum prepared and filed, pursuant to business carried on by such companies, section 12 of the drainage, dyling and or any of them, or in any other manner exercise the powers conferred by the three preceding sub-sections until such council has by by-law fixed the price

> "a. Upon such by-law being passed and notice thereof given to the said company or companies, they may either accept or refuse the same, or give notice to the council that, they will require the purchase price of their property to be submitted to arbitration:

tions will be interfered with, nor until

"b. In case the notice referred to in the preceding clause is given by such company or companies, the price to be paid for such property shall be referred to three arbitrators, one to be appointed by the parties giving the notice, one by the council and the third to be agreed upon between the arbitrators appointed by the parties or to be named by a judge of the supreme court of British Columbia, and thereupon the arbitration shall proceed, and the provisions of the arbitration act, 1893, shall apply to such arbitration in all matters not herein specifically provided for:

"c. In the event of the company or companies to whom such notice is given accepting the price fixed by the said y-law, or in the event of an award being made under the arbitration hereinbefore referred to, such price shall be paid or secured before any further proceedings are taken by the council under the powers contained in the preceding three sub-sections of the act:

"d. If such company or companies refuse the price offered by the municipali ty, or if at the expiration of thirty days from the time that notification of the price offered has been delivered, they fail to accept such price or require an arbitration as aforesaid, then the council may proceed forthwith to exercise the powers conferred upon them by the preceding three sub-sections of this act: provided, however, that the council may enter into the lighting of the public streets, highways, public places and the buildings with electric light at any time, upon their first acquiring the boilers engines, dynamos, poles, wires and all other are lighting plant utilized in the lighting of the streets by any company incorporated and carrying on their business within the limits of the municipality; the price to be paid for such plant lature was prorogued by the Lieut.-Govand the preliminary steps to be taken for the according of such are to be the same as hereinbefore provided."

The house declined to give the committee this instruction, although it was a clause that had been inserted in the

Vancouver city bill. The house went into committee to consider Mr. Eberts' amendment.

After talking for an hour and a half the clause was rejected, the bill was reported complete and passed.

Hon. Mr. Davie said the parliament buildings committee had examined a number of witnesses, but it was found that there was a great deal more to investigate. He therefore moved in effect that the lieut.-governor in council be requested to appoint the members of the committee a royal commission to continue the inquiry.

Mr. Williams stated that he had prepared a report, and if the house rose he thought a report could be brought in. He could not act on a royal commission at once, but might be able to do so during the summer. He might say that the evidence given since the house rose had not made a material change in the report.

Mr. Kennedy contended that the com-

mitte was just preparing a case for the courts. Mr. Helmcken pointed out that the ment bureau of mines. lieut.-governor in council had the power to order an inquiry, and it was not nec- regulate the practice of dentistry in the essary to pass the resolution. It was province of British Columbia." placing the responsibility on the legis:nture.

The vote on the motion was a tie, the division being: Ayes-Messrs. Baker, Pooley, Davie, Turner, Martin, Eberts, Hunter, Irving,

Braden, Walkem, Kellie, Graham, Cotton and Semlin-14. Noes-Messrs. Bryden, Rogers, Rithet, Adams, Helmcken, Mutter, Smith, Sword, Kidd, McPherson, Forster, Ken-

The speaker voted in favor of the mo-The report of the committee appoint-

Baker and sons to certain land at Gower point was adopted. Mr. Kennedy asked leave to drop the

Mr. Williams moved that the house rise for fifteen minutes to allow the par- of the province. liament buildings committee to report. Mr. Booth said there was no rikelihood of the committee agreeing on a

The motion was lost on a division of Dr. Walkem moved that the order for Highest of all in Leavening Power.- Latest U.S. Gov't Report

ing the wild horse bill. Mr. Melmcken moved the second reading of the distress for rent bill, which for nurses)" to the "Alexandra non-secprovides that the right of a landlord to tarian orphanage and children's home of distrain for rent owing to him by his Vancouver.' tenant on goods in possession of the tenant, which said goods have been sold to and amending acts. the tenant under hire , contract or conditional sale or agreement which has been duly registered, shall be limited to three months' rent, and payment by the hirer or owner of such goods of three months' rent as aforesaid, or so much thereof as

The bill was read a second time, passed through committee and agreed to. The Cariboo Hydraulic bill was read

lord's claim, shall discharge the claim of

the said landlord as against the said

a third time and passed. Mr. Eberts moved that section 10 of the rules and orders be amended by inserting between the words "house' and "in" in the third line the following words: "And after debate the question to be put to the house by the speaker shall be 'Shall the chair be sustained?' and the question shall be decided by a majority of votes."

The motion was passed, thus concluding the business of the session. Hon. Mr. Davie announced that the house would be prorogued at 3 o'clock

this (Thursday) afternoon. The usual exhange of compliments took place between the premier and the leader of the opposition.

During his remarks Mr. Semlin said he had expected to hear the attorney general deliver a farewell address, but as congratulations might not be well received he would not extend them. Hon. Mr. Davie-Don't jump until you

come to the stile. The speaker, in thanking the members for the courtesy extended him during the session, also referred to the rumored elevation of the attorney-general. The members having sang "God Save the Queen," the house adjourned at 11.45.

Session of the Seventh Parliament Brought to a Close To-Day.

Acts Assented to by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor-The Speech.

The first session of the seventh parliament of British Columbia was brought to a close this afternoon when the legisernor with the usual ceremonies. There was no guard of honor and the Lieut Governor was not even attended by his staff. After prayers by Rev. Dr. Campbell, his honor entered the house and amending acts." and assented to the following acts: To confer limited civil jurisdiction up-

on stipendiary magistrates and police magistrates. To repeal chapter 28 of the statutes of 1894, intituled "an act to amend the license act."

To authorize the revision of the sta Respecting the representation of the east riding of Lillooet electoral district. To amend and consolidate the acts re-

lating to the legal professions. The woodman's lien for wages act. Respecting the sinking funds existing under the "British Columbia loan act. 1877," and the "British Columbia loan

act, 1884. To amend the "Burrard Inlet railway and ferry company incorporation act, 1891. To exclude Harrison Hot Springs property from the municipality of Kent.

To amend the "Execution act." To further amend the "Pharmacy act, For the promotion of the mining industry by the establishment of a govern-

To amend and consolidate the "Act Respecting the "Vancouver incorporation act" and amending acts.

To amend the "County courts act." To amend the "Cattle act" and amending acts. To amend the North Vancouver elec-

trie company incorporation act, 1892 To incorporate the "Victoria consolidated hydraulic mining company, limit-

To amend the "Columbia & Kootenay railway and navigation company act. 1890," and the "Columbia & Kootenay railway extension act. 1892." Respecting the amendment of the "Na naimo water works act, 1885," and

amending acts. To further amend the "New Westminster act, 1888." To make valid and binding an official map or survey of the city of Nanaimo. To provide four hundred and twenty thousand pounds for the public purposes

Respecting police and special constables. To amend the law relating to bills of To secure to wives and children the

benefit of life insurance. For the supply of water to the city of To amend the "Provincial voters' act."

The same course was adopted respect- To authorize the transfer of certain property of the Alexandra hospital (for women and children, and training school

To amend the "public school act, 1891

To amend the "Revenue act." To amend the "Companies' act," and the "Companies' act, 1890." For the incorporation of cheese and butter associations.

shall be sufficient to satisfy the land- ing of milk to cheese and butter manu-To incorporate the "British Columbia society for the prevention of cruelty to

To provide against fraud in the supply-

animals." To amend the "Drainage, dyking and irrigation act, 1894." To authorize the granting of a license to prospect for gold over certain lands in the Cariboo district, with a contingent

lease for a portion of the said lands. To amend the "Graveyard act" and amending act. Respecting the territorial division of British Columbia for judicial and other

purposes.

To further amend the "Supreme court To amend the "Coal mines regulation act" and amending acts.

To amend the "Provincial home act, To amend the "Fire insurance policy

act, 1893." To amend the "Land registry act." To amend the "Land act and amending

Respecting the incorporation of the 'Stave river electric power company, limited liability." Respecting retail liquor licenses. To amend the "Assessment act." To amend the "Placer mining act,

To amend the "Mineral act, 1891." To amend the "Licenses act." To amend and consolidate the acts for the protection of certain animals, biras

Chap. 19. To amend the "Horticultural board act, 1894."

To further amend the act 44 Victoria,

Respecting over-holding tenants. To organize districts for sessions of justices of the peace. Respecting the incorporation of tram-

way, telephone and telegraph companies. For the eradication of and to prevent the spreading of thistles. For granting certain sums of money for the public service of the province of British Columbia.

To amend the "Cattle protection, To amend the "Line fences and water course act" and amending acts. Respecting the Canadian Western cen-

tral railway.

Kespecting lands granted to the Do-To amend the "Coal mines act" and amending acts. To amend the "Municipal act, 1892,"

To amend the "Contagious diseases (animals) act, 1891." Respecting distress for rent.

To further amend the "Revenue tax act" (Cap. 11t, C. A., and 54 Victoria, Cap. 44). To amend an act passed in the 57th year of Her Majesty's reign, and intit-

draulic mining company (limited liabili-The lieut.-governor's speech was as follows:

uled "An act respecting the Cariboo hy-

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: In discharging you from further attention to legislative duties at this session, I desire to record my high appreciation of the zeal and ability which

have marked your labors. Your deliberations were interrupted by a sad and tragic event in the death of the Right Hon. Sir John Thompson, premier of the Dominion of Canada. The tender concern exhibited by Her Most Gracious Majesty towards her Canadian subjects upon the loss of their most distinguished statesman and leader has deeply touched the hearts of her people, and must strongly cement those sentiments of loyalty which bind us to the British crown.

I thank you for the liberal supplies which you have granted towards the development of this highly favored province, and I assure you that the moneys placed at my disposal shall be administered with due care and economy.

The many useful measures to which I have just assented can but tend to the advancement of the country and the comfort of its inhabitants. The act for the settlement of the railway belt dispute with the Dominion will, I am sure, bring about an adjustment of this long pending difficulty to the advantage of both governments.

In taking leave of you I have to congratulate you upon the fine and open winter which we have so far experienced, and which I trust is the harbinger of a bright and prosperous year.

"Mamma," said Willie, "do yeu pay Jennie \$15 a month for looking after me?"
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Nobody Has Been E and Queen Lil C for Treaso

Wholesale Deportati an -American Leagu Suspicion

Honolulu, Feb. 17.-Fer ic to San Francisco, Feb ernment has caused the persons since the 6th of that number 94 have be the military court. Ser 24 cases have been mad ty-three natives charged and V. V. Ashford, cha prision of treason. Fifty been released by the auth military court acquitted men, Cranstoune, Johnsto were deported. The fol have been allowed their I understanding that they country within a reason time: John Radin, Fred Redward, L. J. Levey, G. L. Ritman, J. C. Whi rinos, M. C. Bailey, A. Carianne, Fred Wundent Brown. The latter has agreement that they will this country until permitt ernment. The chances will not be allowed to 1 on Hawaiian soil again. men have seen British Hawes. He gave them that he would not interfe half, as they admitted th they signed the agreemen V. V. Ashford was turn marshal on the 15th inst. on the charge of misprisi and found goilty. He tenced to one year in jail fine of \$1000. Ashford ca lu about 1884, and has be

Twenty-three natives I tenced on a charge of sentences vary from five each case a fine of \$5000 but was remitted by Presi military court is still work drags along slowly hundred cases are yet to Prince David has been guilty. His sentence ha made public. Twenty-for received sentences of ranging from five to eigh degrees of punishment m conspirators found instan the people generally, tho of the opinion that Bik should have been summa

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C. W. Ashford. He was

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prisoners will be freed i closer relations with the Martial law is still in probability the hours w until 11.30 at night so a fere with social function fight is being made to sa W. H. Rickard, one of men. He is a member That body has in his behalf. The gove reticent regarding the de executions to take place. Since the overthrow of the American league has but the events of the r have proved that its pre Its president, Timothy suspended, and a watch movements. He and h the government in the but now their loyalty Murray and Attorney-C had some trouble at the and for a few moments though Murray would be He denies that he is dislo ernment, and has sent a ident Dole. The leagu meetings, but it is unde thorities will put a stop different military compani resolutions requesting th all government employes can be questioned. It their request will receive and the men may resign i is much talk of interr which leads the friends o ulani to hope that she wi placed on the throne. possibility, however.

that the government had of executing the condem the military court conclu and every fact bearing of brought out. Mr. Smith state what the attitude ment would be in case W a demand. He intima that nothing would be United States governmen session of the facts in ea The attorney-general st queen has been found g her sentence has not bee yet by President Dole. the attorney-general she out of the country. The approved by the preside John Bowlers. He is g

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ney-General Smith stated