Northern Ontario Railway Company.—Hon. Sir Melvin Jones.

Bill (22), An Act respecting The Canadian Northern Quebec Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Mitchell.

Bill (23), An Act respecting The James Bay and Eastern Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Mitchell.

Bill (24), An Act respecting The Ottawa and New York Railway Company. (As amended)—Hon. Mr. Davis.

Bill (25), An Act respecting The South Ontario Pacific Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. McHugh.

Bill (26), An Act respecting The Southern Central Pacific Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Rostock.

Bill (D), An Act for the relief of Helene Suzette Baxter Douglas.—Hon. Mr. Mitchell. Bill (C), An Act for the relief of William Ewart New.—Hon. Mr. Talbot.

SECOND READINGS.

Bill (17), An Act respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.—Hon. Mr.

Bill (20), An Act respecting the Van Buren Bridge Company.—Hon. Mr. Derbyshire. —Bill (53), An Act to incorporate Marcil Trust Company.—Hon. Mr. Dandurand.

Bill (59), An Act respecting the Empire Life Insurance Company.—Hon. Mr. Kerr. Bill (E), An Act respecting the Premier Trust Company.—Hon. Mr. Belcourt.

Bill (F), An Act respecting The Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Talbot.

GRAIN GROWERS' GRAIN CO.-BILL.

SECOND READING.

Hon. Mr. Pope moved the second Reading of Bill (H) An Act respecting the Grain Growers' Grain Co.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS: There seems to be some new matter in this measure, and I do not think we should be asked to accept the principle of the Bill without some explanation.

Hon. Mr. POPE: Not being the promoter of the Bill, I am not in a position to give an intelligent explanation, such as the hon. gentlemen desire. I have been asked, as hon. members often are, to take charge of the Bill, without having any knowledge of its provisions.

Hon. Mr. POWER: The explanation can be given in Committee.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS: Clause 12 is an amendment to the existing charter. The Company is asking power to carry on business in all its branches, wholesale and retail. That is a matter for provincial legislation.

Hon. Mr. POPE: The provisions of the Bill can be dealt with by the Committee.

The Motion was agreed to, and the Bill was read the second time.

Hon. Mr. WATSON: I move that rules 30, 63 and 119 be suspended so far as they relate to this Bill.

The Motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday next at 8 o'clock in the evening.

THE SENATE.

Tuesday, March 16, 1915.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Eight o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bill (I), An Act for the relief of Lottie Thorndike.—Hon. Mr. Derbyshire. Bill (J), An Act for the relief of Arthur Ernest Birdsell.—Hon. Mr. Ratz.

FIRE GUARDIANS AND FOREST RANGERS.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS inquired:

1. How many fire guardians and forest rangers were there employed by the Government in August and September, 1911, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta? And what amount of money was there paid out for turs service for the year 1911?

2. What amount did the owners of berths contribute for fire guardians in 1911 in the above provinces?

3. How many fire guardians and forest rangers were there in the employ of the Government in the above provinces in 1914? How much did owners of berths contribute, and what amount was there paid for this service in this year in said provinces?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—The answers are: 1. 136 fire guardians and forest rangers, \$90,626.

2. \$7,221.

3. 294 fire guardians and forest rangers. \$11,220. (Amount of assessment not yet paid in.) \$177,971.