

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

HOUSE CONSIDERED THE ASSESSMENT BILL

Government Gave Evidence of a Lamentable Lack of Knowledge Regarding Its Working.

Victoria, Dec. 7th. The House to-day held its first evening sitting for the session. The immediate cause of it was the consideration in committee of the new Assessment Act.

Prayers were read by Rev. W. L. Clay.

The following petitions were received: From the city of Vancouver, for a private bill to amend their corporate act. No. 2. From W. G. Cameron, W. H. Brown and others, for a private bill to incorporate the Vancouver Insurance Company. No. 4. By W. J. Bowser, for the city of Vancouver, for a private bill for enlarged corporate powers for the purchase and improvement of land in False Bay.

From T. Gifford, from J. Warren Bell and many others, holders of special licenses to cut timber, asking amendment to Land Act, no such license.

The following bills were introduced, read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow:

By G. A. Fraser, bill (No. 14) intitled "An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act."

By W. G. Cameron, bill (No. 15) intitled "An Act to amend the Municipal Clauses Act."

The Pharmacy Act, introduced by Mr. Fraser, aims at placing the sale of drugs in unincorporated towns and villages on the same condition as that now in force in cities. It does away with other than graduates of the college of pharmacy having the right to sell drugs anywhere in the province.

Committee's Report.

F. Carter-Cotton, chairman, presented the first report from the private bills committee as follows:

"Your select standing committee on private bills and standing orders beg leave to report as follows:

"That the time limited for the presentation of petitions for private bills be extended until January 12th, 1904.

"That the time limited for the presentation of reports be extended until the 22nd January, 1904.

"That the time limited for the presentation of reports be extended until January 29th, 1904, and beg to recommend to cut off all roads and adding into the old town of

men were seen to come down from the direction of the am-

On being ordered to halt, ac-

opened fire and the guards re-

fire, with disastrous results to

None of the guards was

claim that all the shoot-

was done by the guards.

union men who were ambushed

up safe and sound to-day.

LOOMY PREDICTION.

Mr. Speaker says Fight for "Closed shop" May Cause Bloodshed.

Dec. 9.—If the fight for the

is allowed to continue, there

of bloodshed in this coun-

will surpass the days of the

revolution."

The foregoing sentiment expressed

by Brinton, president of the Peru

Red members of the Illinois

Association at their an-

ququet. "Our rights," declared

ton, "are dependent on the set-

of the question as to whether

we can hire whom we please,

being subject to the dictation

of the abolition of the "closed

removal of the union label,

most important thing that calls

for consideration of manufacturers

and consumers.

sons.

ZION CITY FINANCES.

Exander Dowle Places Assets at

more Than Four Times His

Liabilities.

Dec. 7.—In a statement which

he made to the court to-day, Mr.

James Alexander Dowle, submit-

ted to the court a statement of

his financial condition at Zion City

which he believed to be correct.

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