

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

ORIENTAL QUESTION AGAIN BEFORE HOUSE

Disallowed Acts of Last Session Passed Committee Without Amendment—Adjournment Until Tuesday.

(From Saturday's Daily.) In the legislature on Thursday afternoon two of the measures brought in by the government as re-enactments of last year's disallowed legislation passed committee, and were put down for their third reading at the next sitting.

Prayers were read at opening by Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. Petitions.

R. F. Green presented a petition from Casius M. Buck and others for a private bill to incorporate the Kootenay Development & Tramway Company. Laid on the table.

The following petitions were received: From Claud Elliott and others for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate "The Adams River Railway Company."

From R. L. Patterson and others, for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate "The Pacific Northern & Onimica Railway Company, for leave to introduce a private bill to amend their Corporate Act."

From Jno. Irving and others, for leave to introduce a private bill to incorporate "The Pacific Northern & Eastern Railway Company."

Hon. W. B. McInnes brought down the papers asked for relating to the Alaska boundary. Committee's Report.

W. H. Hayward presented a report from the standing printing committee, recommending that the following reports be printed: 1, abstract of receipts and expenditures for half-year ending December 31st, 1902; 2, judgment of Privy Council, re Toney Homma; 3, report of coal mines explosions committee.

The report was received. First Reading. J. F. Garden's bill intitled "An Act to amend chapter 71, cited as the 'Special Survey Act, 1899'" and Hon. Mr. Prentice's bill intitled "An Act to prevent the obstruction of Lakes and Water-courses," were read a first time and set down for reading a second time at the next sitting.

Road Foreman. A. W. Nell moved: "That an order of the House be passed for a return of all correspondence (including telegrams, if any) between any member or official of the government and any other person, relative to the appointment of road foremen in the Alberni electoral district, since the 1st of June, 1902."

In support of this the mover called attention to the fact that a measure had been brought in by the late Mr. Borden providing for election by the people of road foremen. The government had promised them to introduce such a system. This had not been done in the Alberni district.

Last year he found that the government had adopted a new system, and they had proceeded to put the appointment of the road foremen in officials at Victoria. A political pull had influenced some of the work done.

He pointed out abuses which had been worked in connection with these political appointments. An instance was afforded in the case of the Cape Scott settlers, who refused to pay the usual 25 per cent upon the ground that the money was to be frittered away. On one main road there was only an actual distance of eight feet between stumps. In front of a defendant politician's house a road was graded 90 feet wide. If the members of the government were not personally responsible, yet they were to be held so inasmuch as they had put it into the hands of others and stockholders.

He hoped the correspondence would show who were responsible for this trouble, and that the returns would be full, and not be like those of last session. Hon. Mr. Wells in presenting the returns called attention to the fact that the complaints were often left until it was too late. The members should keep in close touch with the department.

He hoped the government would see that the appointment of road foremen should not be by election of the people, but should be in the hands of the department. If, however, it was decided best in the Alberni district to elect foremen in that way he would not oppose it.

Mr. Hayward spoke in favor of the election of road foremen by the people. After three years' experience in his own district, he thought it had been found satisfactory method. The people who used the roads and who paid the taxes were the best to decide who should act as foreman. He would like to have seen a bill dealing with this brought in.

Mr. Nell called attention to the fact that in July he had warned the government of the danger from the system they were pursuing. The election foremen did not carry the work of the superintendent. Questions Answered.

matter had been gone into fully at Ottawa by the delegation. Capt. Tatlow asked the Minister of Finance the following question: How much of the \$522,520.44 unpaid taxes at 31st December, 1901, have been collected by the government since that date? Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows: Real property tax, \$64,456.65; personal property tax, \$5,704.27; wild land tax, \$20,019.52; income tax, \$90,235; total, \$90,140.63.

The above returns shows collections of arrears up to 28th February, 1903, the March returns not having yet been received. Capt. Tatlow asked the Minister of Finance the following questions: 1, Has the whole loan authorized by the "British Columbia Loan Act, 1902," been placed? 2, If not, how much has been placed? 3, At what price, and on what terms, has it been placed? 4, What will be the net amount realized by the province, after deducting brokerage and other expenses? 5, What amount has been received on account of said loan to date, March, 1903?

Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows: "1, Yes; 2, full amount, \$721,000 (\$2,490,850); 3, at 92, bearing interest from 1st July, 1902, redeemable in 1914; 4, 5 per cent, payable on application; 5, per cent, payable on 28th November, 1902; 20 per cent, payable on 30th January, 1903; 25 per cent, payable on 30th March, 1903; 25 per cent, payable on 29th May, 1903. 4, \$42,645 (\$3,116,828); 5, \$348,679 (\$1,691,193)."

John Oliver asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: Has the road superintendent for New Westminster district reported as to the amount of money required for roads and bridges in his district? If so, what is the amount estimated to be required for each of the different ridings?

Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows: "Yes; Richmond riding, \$32,600; Dewdney riding, \$26,450; Chilliwack riding, \$13,685; Delta riding, \$8,930."

J. H. Hawthorthwaite asked the Minister of Mines: 1, The number of Japanese employed underground in the coal mines at Cumberland? 2, The number of Chinese employed underground in the coal mines at Cumberland? 3, The rate of wages paid Japanese and Chinese working 'company work' underground in the coal mines at Cumberland? 4, The number of white men employed underground in the coal mines at Cumberland?

Hon. Mr. Wells replied: 1, 38 Japanese; 2, 132 Chinese; 3, \$1.25 to \$1.50 a day; 4, 506 whites, including 12 boys.

Thos. Kidd asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: Has this bill for foreclosures been issued by this government up to the present date (6th of April, 1903), for the purpose of saloon fishing by traps or otherwise? 2, If so, how many have been issued, to whom, and for what locations?

In reply Mr. Wells answered: "1, yes; 2, 12, as follows: Ed. Gordon, fronting on section 7, Otter district; D. E. Campbell, fronting on section 8, Otter district; J. G. Cox, fronting on sections 7 and 8, Otter district; F. Keeling, fronting on section 23, Otter district; B. C. Canting Co., fronting on sections 9 and 10, Otter district; W. Munzie, fronting on section 90, Renfrew district; C. E. Todd, fronting on section 52, Renfrew district; A. E. Todd, fronting on section 55, Renfrew district; J. E. Kinsman, fronting on section 73, Renfrew district; H. Morris, fronting on Tumblo Island; F. W. Morris, fronting on Tumblo Island; F. W. Mitchell, fronting on Tumblo Island."

He further stated that several applications were standing awaiting a survey being made.

Coal Mines Regulations. Mr. Hawthorthwaite, rising to a point of order, called attention to the fact that this was private members' day, and that public bills in the hands of private members should take precedence on the order paper over public bills.

This stand was supported by the Speaker, and Mr. Hawthorthwaite proposed the second reading of his bill intitled "An Act to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act."

In doing so Mr. Hawthorthwaite took occasion to call attention to the fact that the party which he represented was not opposed to the development of this country by the introduction of capital, but was in doing so his bill was the introduction of the system of the 8-hour day in the coal mines. At Fernie the working miners were laboring 9 1/2 hours a day. From information he had received he was assured that the settlement which had been arranged there would not stand on that account.

It was not in the interest of the country that the working day should be longer than eight hours in coal mines. That was the day prevailing in metalliferous mines. He thought it should apply to coal mines also. He hoped this bill would be passed.

Smith Curtis asked for an explanation of "from bank to bank." Mr. Hawthorthwaite explained that it was from the mouth of the tunnel into the rock to the mouth of the tunnel, or from the head of the pit until the return to the head of the pit.

"No matter how far they have to proceed to their work," added Premier Prior. He contended for pay day every two weeks. He wanted the ton to be a unit form one, as provided in this amendment. It was put at 2240 pounds.

Referring to the timbering of the workings by skilled men independent of the mines, where their work was attended for such, Mr. Hawthorthwaite pointed out its advantages and instanced Fernie as an example.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite said he did not believe the settlement would be a lasting peace. He hoped for the sake of the province that it would be doubted it. Individual miners he had spoken to caused him to think as he did. The body of the workers might, however, think otherwise, and he hoped peace would result.

In concluding, Mr. Hawthorthwaite called attention to the statement having been made that any measure introduced by him in this House would not be passed this year. He did not think that could be true. He had more confidence in the members of the House than think this course would be adopted. Premier Prior moved the adjournment of the debate, which was carried.

Smith Curtis asked the Premier if the House could have a copy of the report of the conciliation committee at Fernie. Premier Prior said a copy had not been received by the government. He hoped they would receive one. The executive of the Mining Association he believed had received a report. The government had borne the expense of the commission, and he hoped, therefore, a report would be sent them.

Disallowed Legislation. The second reading of Mr. Green's bill intitled "An Act to further amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act" was introduced. The mover in doing so stated the bill aimed at the exclusion of Chinamen from underground work in coal mines. He called attention to the fact that the Provincial Secretary had adopted his bill of last year. He thought he should, as the mover of the bill last year, have been allowed to have introduced it here again this session. The bill of the Provincial Secretary was identical with his.

Hon. Mr. Prentice said that the bill of last year was not disallowed because of its amendment. It was disallowed because the Ottawa government contended that it was ultra vires. He moved the adjournment of the debate.

Mr. McBride related the circumstances connected with last session, laying the blame for disallowance upon the Provincial Secretary. He contended that he had little faith in the bona fides of the ministers at Ottawa. He was throwing this out, he admitted, really as a feeler.

Premier Prior—"But this is a new government, and a new House." "Well that was a question," continued Mr. McBride. "If it was a new government it looked very much like the old one." He thought the Premier should repudiate the statement of the Provincial Secretary that he had no faith in the bona fides of the ministers at Ottawa. He was throwing this out, he admitted, really as a feeler.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite contended that corporations controlled legislation in the House. There was an act on the statutes which, if enforced, would prevent many of the Chinese working in mines. He could have the honor if he wished it. The government had in the speech from the Throne announced it would reintroduce the disallowed legislation of last session. The government had a function to perform in this respect, and proposed to pass these measures.

Smith Curtis contended that the bill being brought forward by the Provincial Secretary was not the re-enactment of last year's legislation. The member for Sloan had intitled last session an action. The government amended it and now came forward after adopting it. This bill was not disallowed at Ottawa. It was a different one. There was no foundation for the reasons advanced by the government.

Mr. Prentice introduced a bill for the express purpose of having it disallowed. Cries of "order." Mr. McPhillips said that the Provincial Secretary last year insisted upon the insertion of the word "Japanese," which had led to the disallowance of the act.

"Would you say that my amendment was the reason for the disallowance of the bill," asked Mr. McInnes. Mr. Prentice replied that the action of the Provincial Secretary had led to the disallowance of the act. Had his amendment not been then inserted it would now be law. The Provincial Secretary's act last session had revised the act, to mine them here and to put them in the hands of the Provincial Secretary might result in the enactment of this session also being thwarted in becoming law.

A vote being taken the debate was adjourned. Another Petition. Mr. Hall asked leave from Wm. M. Le Poer Trench and others for the incorporation of the Quatsino Railway Company.

The Speaker called attention to the fact that this was the last day for the receiving of petitions.

Mr. McPhillips thought that by the unanimous vote of the House the time for receiving such petitions might be extended. It might be wise to extend the time.

The petition was received. Hon. Mr. Eberts thought the proper course to pursue would be to take an adjournment for a little time during which the private bills committee could meet and decide upon this course.

This was agreed to by the Speaker as the course to pursue, and the House adjourned.

Upon resuming Mr. Gilmour reported for the private bills committee that he recommended that the time be extended to April 17th and 21st for the receiving of petitions and the presentation of them to the House.

Supply. The House went into committee of the whole to consider the granting of a supply to His Majesty. The report was received, and it was decided on motion of Hon. Mr. Prentice to go into committee on Wednesday next to consider the question of supply.

Bills Reported. The House then considered a number of bills, and the time reported them complete without amendment.

These were "An Act to Regulate Immigration into British Columbia," "An Act relating to the employment of Works carried on under Franchises granted by Private Acts," "New Westminster Relief Act, 1899," Amendment Act, 1903," "An Act to amend the Dairy and Live Stock Associations Act," "An Act to amend the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies Act."

The Estimates. Mr. McBride asked if the estimates would not be ready for distribution before adjournment so that an opportunity might be given to look into them during the Easter recess. He was informed by Mr. Semlin that the formal motion such as had been made on Wednesday last, had been carried. Hon. Mr. Prentice said he had no objection. They were printed. If not ready until after the holidays ample time would be given to the members to consider them. If necessary the budget would be delayed in order to allow of this. The procedure outlined by the leader of the opposition would not be the practice in the House. Mr. Semlin asked if he could be included for the estimates being distributed. Second Readings.

In moving the second reading of the bill intitled "An Act to further amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act," Hon. Mr. McInnes said the bill he introduced was identical with that introduced by the member from Kaslo last year. It was represented by the authorities at Ottawa that if the Japanese were excluded from the act that it would not be disallowed. This measure was taken to remove the chance of the disallowance of the act. He was prepared to submit it to the federal government's promise to allow the acts.

Mr. Green entered his protest against the adoption of his bill by the government. Mr. McPhillips said that he was distinctly stated in the press by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Attorney-General, Hon. Chas. Fitzpatrick, that if the Japanese were mentioned the act would be disallowed. The members of the opposition last year contended that he was of the opinion that the exclusion of the Chinese alone, even though they were equally opposed to the Japanese, rather than lose the enactment of any kind. The Provincial Secretary wanted to go the whole way. The mover of the bill was due to the intermeddling of the Provincial Secretary.

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Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company under the name of "The Dominion Gas Improvement Company" with powers to manufacture and dispose of machinery, appliances, work, structures, apparatus, meters, pipes, wire, supplies for the purpose of manufacturing and distribution of gas and other agents for illuminating, heating and other purposes, and to manufacture and dispose of such gas and other agents and of all products resulting therefrom, and to engage in manufacturing gas, and to acquire (by lease, purchase or otherwise) any inventions or letters patent or the right to use the same, franchises and business of any other person or municipality authorized to carry on any such business, and to pay therefor in the capital stock or debentures of the Company, or in money or otherwise, and in connection therewith to assume the liabilities of any such business, and to substitute for the same the whole or any part of the shares, debentures and securities of any other person or municipality; and also to acquire, construct, improve, lay, erect, maintain and operate all such works, structures, motors, pipes, wires and appliances, supplies and machinery as may be necessary or advisable in connection with the business of the Company, and to lay down the necessary pipes for the conveyance of gas and other agents under the streets, streets and public places where the Company may carry on its business, and to construct and operate such appliances and erections as may be necessary for the purpose of the carrying and distribution of other agents for light, heat and power, along across or under such roads, streets and public places, and to supply and distribute such agents thereby and from time to time as may be necessary, under proper provisions for the safeguarding of the interests of the said municipalities, and to exercise such other and general powers as may be usual or incidental to all or any of the purposes aforesaid, and to make and execute all such contracts, agreements and provisions for the financing of the said company as may be deemed expedient. Dated at Ottawa, this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1903.

D. J. McDOUGAL, Solicitor for Applicants, 11 Central Chambers, Ottawa.

No. 218. CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"Companies Act, 1897." I hereby certify that "The Copper Mountain Mining and Developing Co.," has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the Companies Act, 1897, to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situated in the City of Toronto, State of Washington, U. S. A. The amount of the capital of the Company is \$200,000, divided into 2,000,000 shares of 10 cents each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situated at Victoria, and W. C. Spicer, treasurer of "The Yreka Copper Company," whose address is Victoria, aforesaid, is the attorney for the Company (as empowered by issue or transfer stock). The Company is limited.

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years. Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 18th day of March, one thousand nine hundred and three.

(L) Registrar of Joint Stock Companies. The following are the objects for which the Company has been established: 1st. To prosecute the search of valuable minerals and metals in their native state, to mine them here and to put them in the merchantable condition.

2nd. To purchase, hold, improve or clear estate and personal property, to mortgage, lease and convey the same. 3rd. To buy, hold, prospect, develop, work and operate veins of mineral mines, and mining property of every kind, and to mine them here and to put them in the merchantable condition; to construct, own and operate, ways, bridges, canals, dams, reservoirs, ditches, pipes, aqueducts, roads and apparatus for waterworks and lighting by electricity; to build houses, sheds, stores and wharves.

4th. To buy, construct, own and operate barges, boats and steam vessels for the use of the Company. 5th. To do any and all things necessary and proper for carrying out and accomplishing the purposes for which this corporation is formed.

PUBLIC NOTICE. To Wm. Limin, of Vancouver, B. C.; Harry Davis, of Vancouver, B. C.; W. W. Alton, of Hamilton, Ont.; Dr. N. Aikens, of Hamilton, Ont. Take notice that if the delinquent assessments on your shares in the Forest group of mineral claims, situated in the Tumblo Camp, amounting to the sum of two thousand dollars, for development work on the said claims during the years 1901-02 and 1902-03, be not paid on or before sixty days from the date hereof to the undersigned, at Hazelton, B. C., your said shares in the Forest group Mining Partnership will be sold by public auction at the Court House, at Hazelton, B. C., to defray such assessments (under and by virtue of the provisions of the "Mineral Act" and amendments thereto), on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1903.

WM. B. FORBES, Manager, Forest Mining Partnership, Hazelton, B. C., 1st March, 1903.

MINERAL ACT. NOTICE. "Little Bantam" Fractional Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division of Chemsalun District, located on Mount Sicker. Take notice that I, George R. Elliott, agent for the owners, Fore Miner's Certificate No. B72496, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated at Victoria, B. C. this 2nd day of April, A. D. 1903.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands situated on the west side of Prescott Island, British Columbia, viz: Commencing at a post marked F. R. S. E. corner, thence north forty chains, thence east forty chains, thence south forty chains, thence west forty chains, containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less. F. RUDGE.

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Public notice is hereby given that 60 days from date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land situated on west side of Work's Canal, and south of mouth of Zumbale Bay, as follows: Commencing at a stake marked "D. A. R. S. N. E. Corner," thence north along shore line to point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less. F. RUDGE.

Public notice is hereby given that 60 days from the date hereof we intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described tract of land situated at head of Work's Canal, commencing at a post marked "R. & F. S. W. Corner," thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence west 40 chains, thence along shore line to point of commencement, containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less. Staked 15th February, 1903. GEO. RIDGE, WALTER B. WLEVIN.

Public notice is hereby given that 60 days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described tract of land at Solander Island, Rupert District, commencing at a post planted on the southern point of the island, and extending following the shore of the island to the point of commencement, including the whole area of Solander Island. EDWARD B. POTTS, Per His Agents, H. E. Y. KOEHLER, Dated Victoria, B. C., March 13th, 1903.

\$1.00 PER Y CANADIAN VOL. 34. SECRETARY TO LABOR COMMISSION DEPUTY MINISTER L. FOR COAST W.

The Redistribution Bill Act Commons—The Lieut.-Gov. of Ontario.

Ottawa, April 14.—Mackey deputy minister of labor, who appointed secretary of the to enquire into labor troubles Pacific coast, will leave for tomorrow.

Sir Oliver Mowat Mr. McLean (East York) brought to the attention of the condition of Sir Oliver Mowat's repeated what he had done the subject, and argued that the present condition of affairs in the province, the government should be able to discharge his duties. Laurier said he had nothing what he had already said. had written him, Laurier, the able to discharge his duties; the Premier would differently bound to believe this. Kettle Valley Road.

Mr. Hyman, in the absence of German, introduced a bill re Kettle Valley railroad. Redistribution. The redistribution bill was to this second reading, today. Mr. Mowat proceeded to argue that the bill was the same as that proposed by the government in 1884; it was not the same as that proposed by the government in 1882, nor was it the same as that proposed by the government in 1880. The bill might or might not be one. He would like to see it before being committed to it. It was merely a statement of the House. Mr. Borden sympathized with the position taken by the province of New Brunswick in its fight against the decrease in that Sir Wilfrid Laurier's action would be submitted to the court and a decision got as early as possible.

BURNED TO DEATH Indianapolis, April 12.—Nathaniel, an attorney, and Frank H. Harned, a doctor, and Mrs. Haas, Miss Belle Haas, Miss Haas, Louise Haas and Grace L. Haas, were injured by fire most disastrous the house of Dr. Harned. The fire started from the furnace family was asleep on the second floor when found it was evident Mr. Harned was the cause of the fire. The body of Frank Haas and the actions were found back stairs. Louise Haas broke her leg by losing a three-story window.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY Mrs. Mary Roll, a Centenarian, Awaits at Mannequin. Minneapolis, Minn., April 14. Mary Roll is dead at the age of 121 years. She is survived by three sons, four granddaughters and great-grandchildren. She came from Dayton, Ohio, and was the white woman born in that city.

COMBATANTS WERE SEPARATED BY FORCE—Several Men Separated by Force. Pekin, April 13.—A bar-room riot between German and Austrian soldiers culminated in a street fight which fifty men on each side were engaged. Bricks, clubs and knives used. A great crowd of Chinese witnessed the affray. Finally a company of German infantry, well fixed up and a patrol of Austrian troops, separated the combatants and cleared the streets. Several of the German and Austrian who took part in the fighting were so severely hurt that they were taken to the hospital. Both fighting contingents will be confined to barracks for a fortnight.

SIR OLIVER MOWAT. The Lieut.-Governor of Ontario continues to improve. Toronto, April 15.—Sir Oliver Mowat has a good night's rest, and continues to improve. He shows marvellous vitality.