
PAPERS

Relating to the Acts passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia during the Session 1908.

By Command.

HENRY ESSON YOUNG,

*Provincial Secretary's Office,
25th November, 1908.*

Provincial Secretary.

Certified copy of a Report of the Committee of the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General on the 17th November, 1908.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a Report, dated 21st September, 1908, from the Minister of Justice upon the Statutes of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, passed in the eighth year of His Majesty's reign, 1908, and received by the Secretary of State of Canada on 18th February and 20th March, 1908, with the exception of Chapter 23, "An Act to Regulate Immigration into British Columbia," which is reserved for further report.

The Committee concurring in the said Report advise that a copy thereof, if approved, be transmitted to the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia for the information of his Government.

RODOLPHE BOUDREAU,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

*His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor,
Province of British Columbia.*

OTTAWA, 21st September, 1908.

To His Excellency the Governor-General in Council:

The undersigned has had under consideration the Statutes of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, passed in the eighth year of His Majesty's reign, 1908, received by the Secretary of State for Canada on 18th February and 20th March last, and he has the honour to Report thereon as follows:—

Chapter 23, intituled "An Act to Regulate Immigration into British Columbia," is reserved for further report.

Chapter 61, intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Hudson Bay Pacific Railway Company." By this Act the Company is incorporated to lay out, construct and operate a line of railway from the western to the eastern boundary of the Province. It is questionable whether it is competent to the Provincial Legislature to authorise such a work, since the legislative authority of a Province does not extend to works connecting two Provinces or extending beyond the limits of the Province.

The undersigned does not, however, on that account recommend disallowance.

The undersigned is of the opinion that these Statutes, other than the said Chapter 23, may be left to such operation as they may have, and he recommends that a copy of this report, if approved, be transmitted to the Lieutenant-Governor for the information of his Government.

Humbly submitted,

(Signed) A. B. AYLESWORTH,
Minister of Justice.

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