



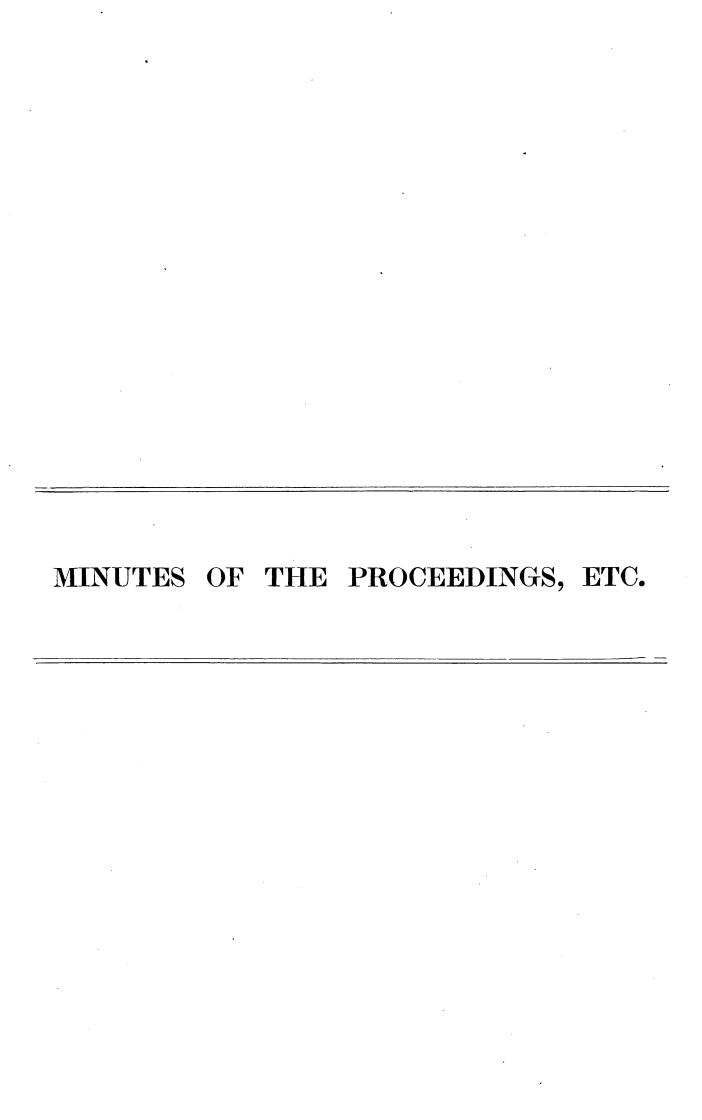
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1912.

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD JULY, 1912.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of May, 1912, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT, AND FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir John Michael Fleetwood Fuller, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

Whereas The Parliament of Victoria stands prorogued until Tuesday, the fourth day of June, 1912: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the third day of July, 1912, and I do hereby fix Wednesday, the third day of July, 1912, aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twenty-eighth day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in

the third year of His Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN FULLER.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. A. WATT.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

2. APPROACH OF His Excellency THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced by the Usher.

His Excellency came into the Council Chamber, and commanded the Usher to desire the immediate attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Council Chamber, who, being come with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I have summoned you to meet for the consideration of important public business, and to avail myself of your assistance regarding matters that will be submitted for your serious attention by My Advisers.

I desire to join with you in expressions of gratitude for the widespread and bounteous rainfall that providentially followed an unusually dry autumn, encouraging us to hope for a year of abundant production, and a continuance of the prosperous seasons with which this State has been blest.

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I congratulate you on the prosperity of the people, reflected as it is in the buoyancy of the General and Railway Revenues, which, notwithstanding substantial concessions in freights, are

the largest on record.

During the recess a Conference of the Premiers of the States was held in Melbourne, at which matters fraught with the utmost public importance were considered. At this Conference an agreement was arrived at for the voluntary surrender to the Commonwealth Parliament of specific powers relating to the control of monopolies in restraint of trade, and the regulation of industrial disputes, which, in April last year, were the subject of Constitutional Referenda. The recommendations of the Premiers will be embodied in a Bill, and submitted for your concurrence.

I record with pleasure the marked progress in the settlement of the lands of the State, particularly in the Mallee and the irrigated areas of the North. A pleasing feature of the success attending the bold irrigation policy promoted by the Government is the increasing demand for

irrigable lands by Victorian agriculturists.

In order to further accelerate settlement and intense culture in irrigated districts, My Ministers will ask for authority to enlarge the powers of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. It is proposed to place under the control of that body the acquisition and settlement of land within the sphere of its operations.

The recent visit of land seekers from the United States of America was attended with the most gratifying results, and will, it is confidently believed, have a most beneficial influence on our

trade, and materially add to the agricultural population of the State.

The Immigration policy of the Government has been prosecuted and developed with care and diligence. There has been a gradual and continuously growing ingression of land settlers and rural workers from abroad, and, notwithstanding the attendant difficulties, the wants of the manu-

facturing community for artisans are being supplied.

My Ministers are impressed with the necessity for increased Water Storage for the extension of permanent settlement in the arid districts of the State. A Measure to authorize expenditure in this direction will in due course be laid before you. A proposal has been submitted for the consideration of the Government of New South Wales, which will, it is hoped, lead to a fuller utilization of the waters of the River Murray.

The construction of developmental railways in practically inaccessible districts, where settlement and progress are retarded by the absence of communication, has received the earnest attention of My Ministers. A Measure embodying provisions for this new and wider policy of railway extensions has been prepared, and will be laid before you.

Bills will also be introduced authorizing the construction of new railways in country

Your consideration will be invited to an important Measure providing for the creation of a Country Roads Board and the inauguration of a policy of co-operation between the Central and Municipal Governments in securing uniform construction and maintenance of the principal traffic-

bearing highways of the State.

The Commissioners of the Savings Banks, with the concurrence and support of My Advisers, have, in view of the projected Commonwealth competition, largely extended their operations. Every indication happily points to the continued confidence of the depositors and the people in their own institution, and a Bill will be introduced to further increase its usefulness and popularity.

The rapidly expanding passenger traffic on the Metropolitan Railways has made urgent the demand for the electrification of the system. When the recommendations of the expert with whom the Government is in consultation have been completed, the necessary authority to proceed with

the conversion work will be submitted for your approval.

The Board appointed to inquire into the circumstances conditioning the supply of gas within the Metropolitan area is now approaching the conclusion of its labours, and its report will receive the attention of the Government.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the affairs of the Geelong Harbor Trust, and the advisibility of increasing the shipping facilities of Corio Bay, has not yet concluded its deliberations, but it is expected that its findings and recommendations will be presented at an early

Consideration has been given to the Report of the Royal Commission recommending the construction of the two lines of Railways to connect the Western Districts of Victoria with the neighbouring State of South Australia. My Ministers propose to seek the necessary Legislative authority for the construction of these important Inter-State undertakings.

With the object of providing rolling-stock adequate to the demands of our increasing goods and passenger services, extensive contracts for the supply of engines and trucks have been entered

into by the Railways Commissioners with manufacturing firms within the Commonwealth.

The success which has attended the introduction of the motor rail cars has justified the anticipations of the Government, and, when additional experience is gained, it is intended that locally manufactured trains of a type most suited to our requirements will be more widely installed throughout the country.

I have reason to congratulate My Advisers on the success attending the local flotation of a loan of £1,500,000 for Railways and other Public Works. Notwithstanding the firmness of the money market, the result indicates the utmost confidence of Victorian investors in the financial

stability of the State.

After careful deliberation the Government has decided upon the establishment of a General Market at South Melbourne, which, served as it will be with railway communication, is calculated to meet the growing requirements of the rural producers and the consumers of the metropolis.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

The Estimates of Expenditure for the current financial year will in due course be laid before In their preparation ample provision has been made for the maintenance of the public requirements consistent with the necessary economy.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

My Ministers propose to introduce the following Measures for your consideration:-

A Bill providing for the creation of a Greater Melbourne Council, which will discharge those municipal functions of common interest to the citizens of the metropolitan area, the most notable of which are the control of water supply and sewerage, tramways, lighting enterprises, markets, and fire extinction.

A Measure to promote the development of the outer ports of the State and assist the policy of decentralization.

A Bill to give effect to the recommendations of the Public Service Commissioner in connexion with the salaries of State School teachers.

A Bill to amend the Public Service Acts.

A Bill for the control, maintenance, and organization of charitable institutions.

A Bill providing for Compulsory Acquisition of Land, and Liberalization of the Closer Settlement Acts.

A Bill providing for the reconstitution of the Melbourne Harbor Trust.

A Bill providing for Compensation to Workers injured in course of their employment.

A Bill to enable Municipalities to rate upon Unimproved Land Values. A Bill to provide for an effective system of Industrial Apprenticeship.

A Bill to amend the County Court Act.

A Bill for the Reformation and Control of Neglected Children and Juvenile Offenders.

Bills dealing with the following subjects will also be laid before you:—Amendments of Mines Acts; Amendments of Factories Acts; Sunday Entertainments; the Sewering of Centres of Population; Consolidation of Statutes; and other matters of interest and importance to the people of the State.

I commend to your careful consideration these and other measures that may be brought before you, and I pray that your labours may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, materially

conduce to the welfare of the people of Victoria.

Which being concluded, a copy of the Speech was delivered to the President, and a copy to Mr. Speaker, and His Excellency the Governor left the Chamber.

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

3. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.

4. Declarations of Members.—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, J. G. Aikman, A.A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, W. L. R. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, J. McWhae, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg and E. J. White, severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John Mark Davies, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotment fifty-six, and part of Crown allotment fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing one hundred and forty-nine acres or thereabouts.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Lilydale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of

One hundred and thirty-five pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"JNO. M. DAVIES."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Bendigo and Strathfieldsaye, and are known as—

'Mandalay,' Rowan-street; 'Tacsonia,' Rowan-street; house property, Wattle-street, city of Bendigo.

'Edinburgh Tannery,' parish of Mandurang; 'Hooligan,' land, parish of Eppalock, shire of Strathfieldsaye.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty-five pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and five pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be

returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM Addison Adamson, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds and upwards above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Farleigh' and vacant land in Male-street, Brighton, and in the municipal district of Melbourne, known as the Racing Club Hotel, and in the municipal district of Whittlesea, known as the Sale Yards, in the Plenty-road, and in the municipal district of Lancefield, known as the Sale Yards, in Dunsford and High streets, and in the municipal district of Essendon, known as Adamson, Strettle and Co.'s Stud Stock Sale Yards, Epsom and Ascot Vale roads.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brighton are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty-five pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and eighty pounds, and such of the said lands and tenements as are situated in the municipal district of Whittlesea are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifteen pounds, and such of the said lands and tenements as are situated in the municipal district of Lancefield are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Nine pounds, and such of the said lands as are situated in the municipal district of Essendon are rated in the

rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WM. A. ADAMSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John GEORGE AIRMAN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as the Melbourne Coffee Palace, 214 to 218 Bourke-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of

Two thousand one hundred and fifty pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"J. G. AIKMAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Austin ALBERT AUSTIN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Buninyong, and are known as 'Larundel,' Elaine.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Buninyong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of

£2,179.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements or any part thereof for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"AUSTIN ALBERT AUSTIN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, James Balfour, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Queenscliff, and are known as Crown allotment nine, section two, town of Queenscliff, parish of Paywit, county of Grant.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Queenscliff are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, THEODORE BEGGS, of Eurambeen, Beaufort, grazier, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-one pounds ten shillings above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ripon, and are known as Crown allotments 70B, 73c, 74, 74A, and 73B, parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, containing 206 acres.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ripon are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-

one pounds ten shillings.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"THEODORE BEGGS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, FREDERICK Brawn, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballaarat, and are known as three brick cettages in Mill-street, Ballaarat.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballaarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of

One hundred and twenty-seven pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"F. BRAWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, JAMES DRYSDALE Brown, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and thirty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Coburg, and are known as part of Crown portion One hundred and forty-three at Coburg, parish of Jika Jika, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the

municipal district of Coburg are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One

hundred and thirty-eight pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"J. DRYSDALE BROWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM LIONEL RUSSELL CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as one hundred and thirty-seven acres, part of Dowling Forest Pre-emptive right A, No. 575 in the rate-book.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal

district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £103.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"W. L. RUSSELL CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, EDWARD JOLLEY CROOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of 'The Holey Plain Estate.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Resedule are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two

hundred and twenty-seven pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, William John Evans, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety-one pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of South Melbourne and are known as 208 and 210 York-street, South Melbourne.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £54.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WILLIAM JOHN EVANS."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, FREDERICK HAGELTHORN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as 'Coonil,' Wattletree-road.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"F. HAGELTHORN."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Alfred Hicks, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Eaglehawk, and are known as shops and dwellings situate in High-street.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Eaglehawk are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Eaglehawk are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"A. HICKS,"

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John Percy Jones, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as Nos. 22-24-26 Patrick-street, Melbourne.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty-five pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIS LITTLE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Benalla, and are known as allotments 1 to 4, section H, Benalla, one hundred and ninety-three acres, Fifty-seven pounds; allotments 1 and 2, section I, Benalla, three hundred and twenty-seven acres, Eighty-one pounds; allotment 3, section I, Benalla, sixty-five acres, Sixteen pounds; and allotment 24AB, Benalla, three hundred and twenty acres, Fifty pounds.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Benalla are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and four pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WILLIS LITTLE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Walter Synnot Manifold, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety-four (£94) pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool, and are known as parts of Crown allotment 24A and Crown allotment 23 A¹, parish of Mepunga, county of Heytesbury, containing three hundred and thirty-three acres three roods and eighteen perches.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety-four pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WALTER MANIFOLD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Duncan Elphinstone McBryde, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Kamesburgh,' containing ten acres or thereabouts, being part of Dendy's special survey at Brighton, and situate at the angle of North-road and Cochrane-street, and purchased by me for the sum of Twelve thousand two hundred pounds.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brighton are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"D. E. McBRYDE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John Young McDonald, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and sixty-nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat West, and are known as the 'Edinburgh Buildings.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat West are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and sixty-nine pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat West are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and sixty-nine pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, ADAM McLellan, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Richmond, and are known as land and buildings, corner of Lord-street and Boyd-street, Richmond.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Richmond are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £168.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"ADAM McLELLAN."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John McWhae, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-three (£53) pounds above all charges and encumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Morwell, and are known as McWhae's farm, of 315 acres, in Wonyip, being allotments 40A, 40B, parish of Wonyip, containing 315 acres 3 roods 19 perches.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Morwell are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £85, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Morwell are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of (£85) Eighty-five pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"JOHN McWHAE."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Donald Melville, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety-eight (£98) pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Brunswick, Pyalong, and McIvor, and are known as—
- "My residence, situated in Albion-street, West Brunswick, with three acres land; two hundred and six acres land within the shire of Pyalong; and one hundred and forty acres land within the shire of McIvor,
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-three (£53) pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds, and that within the municipal district of McIvor at Fifteen pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"D. MELVILLE,"

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as land, four acres, Findon-street and Barker's-road.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council,

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Thomas Henry Payne, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as 'Leura,' Toorak, being Crown portion 30, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Nine hundred pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"T. H. PAYNE."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as 'Kilmany Park,' Sale.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WM. PEARSON."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Marilla,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"A. O. SACHSE."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Joseph Sternberg, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shire of Deakin and of the city of Melbourne, and are known as, firstly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district shire of Deakin; and secondly, Crown allotment 12, section 14, city of Melbourne, at East Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 2665, fol. 532852.
- "And I further declare that such of the lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Forty-two pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty-eight pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, 1, EDWARD JAMES WHITE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Dundas and borough of Hamilton, and are known as 'Waratah,' being part of subdivision of the Kenilworth Estate, parish of Gatum Gatum, county of Dundas, containing 1,786½ acres. In the borough of Hamilton is my house and allotment fronting Clarendon-street; an allotment fronting Gray-street; and an allotment at back of Hospital.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dundas are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of borough of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Forty-four pounds.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"E. J. WHITE."

- 5. Issue of and Return to Writ.—The President informed the House that during the recess he had issued a Writ for the election of a member to serve for the Melbourne West Province, in the piace of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, who had accepted an office of profit under the Crown; and that there had been returned to him such Writ, and by the indorsement thereon it appeared that William Haslam Edgar had been elected in pursuance thereof.
- 6. Swearing-in of New Member.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar having approached the Table, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as No. 1 Claremont-avenue, Malvern.
 - "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £58, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £58.
 - "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR."

7. Issue of and Returns to Writs.—The President informed the House that during the recess he had issued Writs for the election of members to serve for the following provinces:—

Melbourne South Province in the place of the Honorable H. Skinner, deceased; South-Western Province in the place of the Honorable T. C. Harwood, deceased; Southern Province in the place of the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling, deceased;

and that there had been returned to him such Writs, and by the indorsements thereon it appeared that Arthur Robinson had been elected for the Melbourne South Province; Horace Frank Richardson for the South-Western Province; and William Charles Angliss for the Southern Province.

- 8. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBERS.—The Honorables W. C. Angliss, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson having severally approached the Table, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, W. C. Angliss, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Saint Kilda and are known as East and West Terrace, Glen Eira-road, Elsternwick, being lots 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41 on plan of subdivision No. 2418, being part of Crown portion 252 south-east of St. Kilda, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £330, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate book of such district upon a yearly value of £330.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"W. ANGLISS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Horace Frank Richardson, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of city of Geelong, and are known as 'The Exchange' property, Little Malop-street, Geelong, occupied by myself and tenants.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £220.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"H. F. RICHARDSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, ARTHUR ROBINSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Sixty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as shops numbered 267 and 269 High-street, St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £65.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"ARTHUR ROBINSON."

- 9. Bills of Sale Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown a Bill relating to Bills of Sale was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 10. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That the Honorable Arthur Otto Sachse be Chairman of Committees of the Council.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That the Honorable Alfred Hicks be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. The late Honorable Thomas Charles Harwood, Chairman of Committees.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss it has sustained through the death of its late Chairman of Committees, the Honorable Thomas Charles Harwood, one of the Members for the South-Western Province.

And after debate-

The President (The Honorable J. M. Davies) said-

In putting this motion I desire to say a few words, although I can but practically repeat the views which have already been expressed. During the late recess we have experienced a state of things that may be considered almost unique—the death of three of our members, and the death of two past members. As Mr. Manifold said, death has been very busy among us. I had a long acquaintance with the late Mr. Harwood, dating back some fifty-eight years. When I was a boy Mr. Harwood came to Geelong and went into practice. Afterwards, when I was articled he joined the gentleman to whom I was articled, and so became my employer. After that I came up to Melbourne, to represent him in Melbourne, and for upwards of thirty years I acted as his Melbourne agent. Perhaps, therefore, I have been in closer touch with him in every way than other honorable members. I can say that during my long

association with him in many capacities one could not have found a more honorable, able, upright, Christian man. Mr. Harwood faithfully attended to his duties in this House, and was very rarely absent. On one or two occasions he was absent, but that was because he was a member of the Church of England and the Church of England was at those times holding its annual convention. He thought it his duty to attend to his church work on those occasions rather than attend to his political work in this Chamber. He was a loyal son of the Church, giving to his church the same excellent sound advice and ripened judgment that he gave to this House. Mr. Harwood entered political life at a period of his existence when many politicans would be thinking it was about time for them to retire and rest; but although he entered at that late hour he showed that his judgment was sound, that his physical faculties were in full vigour, and that he was able to take an earnest and intelligent part in all the business that came before the House. As unofficial leader he made a special study of every Bill, and gave a great deal of attention to his work. He lived to a good old age—an age that many of us will not attain to—so from that point of view we cannot regret his death. And I understand it was practically a painless death. Shortly before he died his daughter-in-law, I think it was, called at his house to inquire after him, and she was told that Mr. Harwood had gone into a quiet sleep. A quarter of an hour after that he just gave a sigh and died. When I was attending his funeral there came to my mind the words "With long life will I satisfy Him, and show Him my salvation." As for Dr. Embling, we all deeply regret that he has been taken away. He was always cheerful, and loved fun. In this House, if he could create a little fun he was always ready to do it. He certainly did seem one of the youngest members amongst us. He was always full of life, and used to make capital speeches on many occasions. He worked hard. He was also a loyal son of his Church, and I think that instead of that being foreign in any way to the work of this House it is rather an added qualification. I felt satisfied, even before Mr. Melville spoke, that it was the work on the Railways Standing Committee that killed Dr. Embling, because it was on his return from the trip that has been referred to that he was taken ill. The next day he took to his bed, which he never left. I was told that in one of his moments of consciousness he said to his wife, "I am making a fight for it. You know I love a good fight." But still he was called away, and at a much younger age than the late Mr. Harwood. The three members whom we have lost were all members of worth, who contributed to the debates in this House, and contributed to the legislation in a direction which most of us think was correct legislation. But there is this about their lives—that they worked to their end. I think that there is nothing like dying in harness, instead of breaking down and suffering. I think that there is nothing like doing one's work almost up to the day of one's death, and then being called away. The late Mr. Skinner, although he was with us a very short time, certainly did give promise from the first speech that he made in this House, and on other occasions when he addressed the House, of being a very useful and helpful member. His death was most tragic and sudden. I attended his funeral, as I did the funerals of the others, and I remember that after a solemn service at the grave the clergyman said—"I look down, and on the plate of the coffin I see these words-

> 'Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy Cross I cling.'"

There we left him. I was in this House when Sir William Zeal was President. Sir William Zeal was certainly something of an autocrat, but his kindness of heart was so great that whenever he thought he had transgressed he spoke about it and expressed his regret. Members loved him greatly. Mr. Hoddinott was a member of this House for one term, but during that time he was suffering from some disease, so that he was not able to attend regularly to the duties of the House, and did not take much part in its debates."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. THE LATE HONORABLE DR. WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss it has sustained through the death of the Honorable Dr. William Henry Embling, one of the Members for the Southern Province and a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 14. The late Honorable Henry Skinner.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss it has sustained through the death of the Honorable Henry Skinner, one of the Members for the Melbourne South Province, Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 15. THE LATE HONORABLE SIR WILLIAM AUSTIN ZEAL, K.C.M.G.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this House desires to place on record its high appreciation of the many and great public services rendered to this State by the late Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal, K.C.M.G., an ex-President of this House, and in common with the whole community deeply deplores his death.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. Papers.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Annual Report of the Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board to the Honorable P. McBride, M.P., Minister of Mines for Victoria, for the year 1911.

Department of Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 to the Minister of Health.

Education.—Report (together with Appendices) of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1910-11.

Forty-fourth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911.

Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, January, 1912; together with Appendices.

Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the claims arising out of the contract entered into between Peter Rodger and the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings.

Royal Commission on Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs.—Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria:

For the year 1910.—Part X. —Interchange. For the year 1911.—Part I.—Blue Book.

The Constitution Act Amendments Acts and Preferential Voting Act, 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911.

Severally ordered to lie on the table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:

Addition to the Regulations under the Land Acts.

Additions to, and Alterations in, the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

Addition to Regulations under the Land Acts.

Addition to Regulation under the Land Acts.—Correction.

Alteration of Addition to Regulations under the Land Acts.

Amendments in the Regulations under the Land Acts.

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trastees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911.

Bank Liabilities and Assets. - Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1911.

Education Act 1890, Education Act 1901.—Regulation rescinded, Regulation made.

Education Act 1890.—Regulations—

Addition to Regulation.

Clause rescinded and Regulation made.

Education Act 1890 and Education Act 1910—Regulation made.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notice of intention to close Lake Lonsdale, Mokepilly, and Fyans Creeks, and their Tributaries, &c., also the Green Hole at Lake Lonsdale, &c., to all

fishing from the 1st May to the 31st August in each year. Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust.—The Chairman's Fourth Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 30th June, 1911.

Income Tax Acts .- Regulations.

Land Tax Act 1910.—Regulations.

Land Tax Act 1910.—Amended Regulations.

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1911.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for year ending 31st December, 1911.

Mines Act 1904.—List of Suspensions granted of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences during the year 1911.

Public Service Acts.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the promotion of-

Robert McIntyre Weldon, an officer of the Third Subdivision of the Second Class, Clerical Division (Assistant Accountant), Department of Treasurer, to the First Subdivision of the First Class.

John Alexander Norris, an officer of the Second Subdivision of the Third Class, Clerical Division, Accounts Branch, Department of Treasurer, to the First Subdivision of the

John Charles Coyne, an officer of the Fourth Subdivision of the Fourth Class, Clerical Division, Probate Duties, Department of Treasurer, to the First Subdivision of the Third Class.

Public Service and Lunacy Acts.-

Regulations-

Travelling Allowances-

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Treasurer.

Department of Agriculture.
Department of State Forests.

Department of Crown Lands and Survey.

Stores and Transport-

Department of Treasurer.
Department of Chief Secretary.

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Mines.

Department of Public Works.

Classification of General Division-

Department of Treasurer.

Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Agriculture.
Department of Hospitals for the Insane.

Department of Chief Secretary. Department of Public Works.

Department of Hospitals for the Insane.

Department of Chief Secretary.

Classification of Professional Division—

Department of Law.

Department of Law.

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Public Works (Ports and Harbors).

Department of Agriculture.

Department of Public Works.

Department of Law.

Department of Law.

Alteration of Regulations-

Classification of General Division—

Department of Hospitals for the Insane.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Chief Secretary on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1911.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1911.

Report of the Country Fire Brigades Board for the year ended 31st December, 1911, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1910-11.

Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the Electric Light and Power Act 1896 for the year 1911.

Rules under the Companies Act 1910.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court.

Seeds Act 1910.—Regulations under the.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Twenty-second General Report.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners-

For the quarter ending 31st December, 1911.

For the quarter ending 31st March, 1912.

17. Leave of Absence.—The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Richard Bloomfield Rees for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

18. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, by {leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William Lawrence Baillieu for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

19. Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

The Honorable W. C. Angliss moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable W. C. Angliss moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable W. C. Angliss presented the Address, which had been agreed to by the Committee, and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

To His Excellency SIR JOHN MICHAEL FLEETWOOD FULLER, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

We, the Legislative Council of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament.

The Honorable W. C. Angliss moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

20 Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at half-past four o'ciock. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Ministry has any intention of introducing legislation during the present session of Parliament to provide for the censorship of picture films, and the appointment of an officer to whose judgment all films shall be submitted prior to their public exhibition.

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

- 1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
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No. 2.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer,
- 2. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply but of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million nine hundred and ninety-eight thousand three hundred and sixteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd July, 1912. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 3. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, was, after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

. 4. Committee of Elections and Qualifications.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—

VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, I do hereby appoint-

The Honorable Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,

The Honorable James Balfour,

The Honorable William John Evans,

The Honorable Willis Little,

The Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold,

The Honorable Duncan Elphinstone McBryde, and

The Honorable Edward Miller,

to be members of a Committee to be called "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications."

Given under my hand this ninth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twelve.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President of the Legislative Council.

5. Papers.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Regulations under the Special Funds Act 1910. Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund.—Balance-sheet, 31st December, 1911.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until to-morrow.
- 7. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will furnish to the House a Return showing—

1. The number of Inspectors employed in the Departments of the Chief Secretary and Minister for Labour, the Ministers for Education, Lands, Public Works, Mines, Agriculture, Water Supply, Forests, Health, and Immigration in the years 1903, 1906, 1912.

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1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

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VICTORIA.

No. 3.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Days of Business.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.

The Honorable A. A. Austin moved, as an amendment, That the word "half-past" be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Main question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Parliament Buildings Committee.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. LABRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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- 26. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Explosives Act 1890.—Addition to Order in Council No. 1 of the 12th day of October, 1909, relating to the Classification of Explosives.

Fisheries Act 1890,—Notice of Intention to issue Proclamation—

To close the Wannon River and its Tributaries, also Scott's Creek, against all Fishing from the 1st May to the 31st August in each year.

Restrictions re Fishing (including the taking of Oysters) in Western Port.

To prohibit the use of Mesh or Set Nets at Beaumaris and Mentone from 1st October to 31st March.

To prohibit Netting within 250 yards of the Kerferd-road Jetty, South Melbourne. . To prohibit Netting at the "Perch Ground" in Anderson's Inlet.

27. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable W. J Evans moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

28. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council at thirty-two minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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TUESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1912.

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No. 4.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable , the $\mathbf{President:}$

JOHN FULLER.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :-

An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million nine hundred and ninety-eight thousand three hundred and sixteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

State Government House,

Melbourne, 11th July, 1912.

3. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines to the Honorable P. McBride, M.P., Minister of Mines for Victoria; including Statistics, Reports on Geological Survey, Studge Abatement, Inspection of Mines, Inspection of Boilers, Dredging, Progress of Mining, State Coal Mines, Coal Miners' Accidents Relief, Boring Operations, &c., for the year 1911.

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4. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read— Debate resumed.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-six minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To ask the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, for the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, if inspectors appointed under the Sheep Dipping Act 1909 are instructed, for the purpose of carrying out clause 10 of that Act, to frequently visit public sales of sheep in each supposed tick-infested district; and, if not, why not.
- 2. The Hon. W. Pearson: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 - 1. What is the cause of the delay in the construction of the railway from Bairnsdale to Orbost.
 - 2. Is the Honorable the Attorney-General aware that this railway was authorized in January, 1910, and that the local people have now been paying interest for nearly a year on £20,000, the sum deposited with the Honorable the Treasurer.
 - 3. Will the Honorable the Attorney-General urge the railway construction authorities to push on with the early construction of the bridges over the Mitchell, Nicholson, and Tambo Rivers; and
 - 4. Is the Honorable the Attorney-General aware that the delay in the construction of the line involves, particularly at the Orbost end of the railway, a continuing heavy loss to the farmers and residents of this important district generally.

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VICTORIA.

No. 5.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Education Act 1890.—Regulations-

Technical Schools.

Sections rescinded, Regulation made (Scholarships). Sections rescinded, Regulation made (Exhibitions).

- 3. ADJOURNMENT .- The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of obtaining necessary information from Public Departments in connexion with debates in this House, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put, and, after debate, negatived.
- 4. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, on his return to Melbourne, by the President and such Members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved - That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until after No. 20.
- 7. INTER-STATE DESTITUTE PERSONS RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

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8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 20 inclusive and Order of the Day Nc. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at sixteen minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will supply the following information to this House :-
 - 1. The amount expended in Agricultural High School Buildings.

2. The respective situations of such schools.

3. The number of agricultural students attending each school.

- 4. The number of teachers employed at each Agricultural High School.
- 5. The amount expended in (a) salaries, (b) other expenditure.
- 2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General for the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, if he will supply the following information to this House:-
 - 1. The total expenditure to June, 1912, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure, on-
 - (a) the Maffra Beet Sugar experiment;
 - (b) the State Irrigation Farm at Wyuna;

(c) the State Freezing Works; and

- (d) the Heytesbury Grass-tree Land experiment.
- 2. The total expenditure for the year ending June, 1912, on the Maffra Beet Sugar experiment and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure.
- 3. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will inform this House of the total expenditure to June, 1912, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure, on-
 - (a) the State Brick Works at Wonthaggi;
 - (b) the Wire Netting Industry at Pentridge; and(c) the Ship Building Yards at Williamstown.

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WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY.

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THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

JNO. M. DAVIES,

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VICTORIA.

No. 6.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Royal Commission on the Geelong Harbor Trust—Progress Report.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Bills of Sale Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable A. Hicks moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Motion for the adjournment of the debate, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on the main question continued.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
- Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, 6th August next, again resolve itself into the said
- 5. BILLS OF SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.

 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, and had amended the Title thereof, which Title is as follows:—

 "A Bill to amend the Instruments Act 1890 in relation to Bills of Sale and other Instruments required by that Act to be filed or registered."

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

6. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, as an amendment, that the word "now" be omitted, and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

And after debate-

Question—That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put. The Council divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
A. McLellan,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.
A. Hicks,
D. Melville.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss,
T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
Walter S. Manifold,
A. O. Sachse.

Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott, A. Robinson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 7 Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at fifteen minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will furnish to this House a Return showing—
 - 1. The number of Inspectors employed in the Departments of the Chief Secretary and Minister for Labour, the Ministers for Education, Lands, Public Works, Mines, Agriculture, Water Supply, Forests, Health, and Immigration in the years 1903, 1906, 1912.
 - 2. The total remuneration paid to those Inspectors for the financial years ending June, 1903, 1906, 1912.
 - 2. The Hon. D. Melville: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he is aware that complaint has been made that the yard of the Moreland State School is in such a bad state that, after rain, it is practically under water; and, if so, when will the Department be able to attend to the matter.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. PEA RIFLES AND SALOON GUNS BILL-(Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 2. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hou. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 3. University Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
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- 5. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
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- 7. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
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- 9. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
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- 14. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 15. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 16. Industrial Associations Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading. 7171. (160 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

- 1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing-
 - 1. The total expenditure to date on (a) buildings, (b) equipment at the Newport Railway Workshops, together with a copy of the balance-sheet for the last year, if available, showing the total expenditure for that year and the value of the work resulting from such expenditure.

2. The amount expended at the State Coal Mine since the Commissioners took charge and debited to Capital Account stating (a) amount for machinery and electric equipment, and (b) amount for sinking and driving.

3. The expenditure on the Krick Works at Wonthaggi since the Commissioners took charge, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS BILL—(Hon, J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

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VICTORIA.

No. 7.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Papers.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Charitable Institutions.—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
 - The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—-

Alteration of Amendment to Regulations under the Land Acts.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notice of intention to close Traralgon and Flynn's Creeks and portion of Merriman's Creek against all fishing until 16th December, 1913.

Savings Banks Act 1890.—Repeal of Rule 43, and substitution of New Rule in lieu thereof.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 25th July, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 13th August next.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as—

(a) Hand or machine blockers;

(b) Stiffeners;

(c) Dyers' assistants;

(d) Bleachers' assistants;

(e) Packers,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 25th July, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 13th August next. 7170. (600 copies.)

5. PEA RIFLES AND SALOON GUNS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole

in respect of clause 2.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence

therein.

6. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence

therein.

- UNIVERSITY ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, and after debate, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 8. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at thirty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. Walter S. Manifold: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether, in consequence of the judicial decision that a tram-car is a "vehicle" within the meaning of the Regulations under the Motor Car Act 1909, the Government will, for the protection of the public and with as little delay as possible, so amend the said Regulations as to authorize a motor car overtaking a tram car travelling in the same direction to pass it on the left-hand side whenever the state of traffic will so permit.
- 2. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether, in consideration of the present great inconvenience to residents in the country districts, the Government has any objection, and, if so, what, to introduce a Bill to enable any Justice of the Peace to take any affidavit now taken by a Commissioner of the Supreme Court or by a Commissioner under the Declarations and Affidavits Act 1890.
- 3. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will supply the following information to this House—
 - 1. Why, in the opinion of the Officer in Charge of the Export Department, the returns for apples exported to Europe during the past season have been so disappointing.

2. Can such officer suggest anything that can be done to secure better returns in future for fruit exported to Europe.

3. Will the Government take any action before next season to place the Export Fruit-growing industry on a more profitable footing, and report on an early date to this House what action they propose to take.

General Business.

Notices of Motion:

- 1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - 1. The total expenditure to date on (a) buildings, (b) equipment at the Newport Railway Workshops, together with a copy of the balance-sheet for the last year, if available, showing the total expenditure for that year and the value of the work resulting from such expenditure.
 - 2. The amount expended at the State Coal Mine since the Commissioners took charge and debited to Capital Account stating (a) amount for machinery and electric equipment, and (b) amount for sinking and driving.
 - 3. The expenditure on the Brick Works at Wonthaggi since the Commissioners took charge, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure.
- 2. The Hon. T. Beggs: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - 1. The number of estates bought by the Government under the Closer Settlement Acts during the past ten years;
 - 2. The names of such estates, and districts where situated;
 - 3. The area taken up on each of these estates by settlers; and
 - 4. The area still open for settlement on each estate purchased.

(120 copies.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. BILLS OF SALE BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Consideration of Report.
- 3. Administration and Probate Acts further Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Secondariending.
- 4. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 5. Game Acts Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 6. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 7. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 8. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 9. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 10. Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 11. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS BILL—(Hon, J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 13. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 14. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 15. Industrial Associations Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. University Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Wal: eS. Manifold).

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

- 1. Factories and Snors Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts.—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as—
 - (a) Hand or machine blockers;
 - (b) Stiffeners;
 - (c) Dyers' assistants;
 - (d) Bleachers' assistants;
 - (e) Packers."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

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- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
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VICTORIA.

No. 8.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Correction in Pea Rifles and Saloon Guns Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk :-

Parliament House, Melbourne, 31st July, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the bonour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "An Act to restrict the use of Pea Rifles and Saloon Guns by young persons," viz.:-

In clause 5, paragraph (b), line 16, the word "and" has been omitted. In clause 9, line 1, at the commencement of the clause the figure "(1)" has been inserted.

> THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled " An Act to revoke the permanent reservation for Watering Purposes of certain Land in the Parish of Frankston," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st July, 1912.

- 4. Frankston Land Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Legislative Assembly .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Flood Protection Act 1911'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 31st July, 1912.

- 6. FLOOD PROTECTION ACT 1911 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 7. NEWPORT RAILWAY WORKSHOPS, STATE COAL MINE, AND BRICK WORKS AT WONTHAGGI.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing
 - 1. The total expenditure to date on (a) buildings, (b) equipment, at the Newport Railway Workshops, together with a copy of the balance-sheet for the last year, if available, showing the total expenditure for that year and the value of the work resulting from such expenditure.

2. The amount expended at the State Coal Mine since the Commissioners took charge, and debited to Capital Account, stating (a) amount for machinery and electric equipment,

and (b) amount for sinking and driving.

3. The expenditure on the Brick Works at Wonthaggi since the Commissioners took charge, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure.

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Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—ESTATES PURCHASED BY THE GOVERNMENT.—The Honorable T. Beggs moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—

1. The number of estates bought by the Government under the Closer Settlement Acts during

the past ten years; 2. The names of such estates, and districts where situated;

3. The area taken up on each of these estates by settlers; and 4. The area still open for settlement on each estate purchased.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. Paper.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1911.—Part II.—Finance. Ordered to lie on the Table.

10. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. BILLS OF SALE BILL -The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

Ordered-That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of new clause B.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was, after debate, read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

12. Administration and Probate Acts further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

13. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable W. J. Evans moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Debate on the main question continued.

Question - That this Bill be now read a second time-put and resolved in the affirmative. - Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. Game Acts Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved -- That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 16. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-three minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. Walter S. Manifold: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether, in consequence of the judicial decision that a tram-car is a "vehicle" within the meaning of the Regulations under the *Motor Car Act* 1909, the Government will, for the protection of the public and with as little delay as possible, so amend the said Regulations as to authorize a motor car overtaking a tram car travelling in the same direction to pass it on the left-hand side whenever the state of traffic will so permit.
- 2. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether, in consideration of the present great inconvenience to residents in the country districts, the Government has any objection, and, if so, what, to introduce a Bill to enable any Justice of the Peace to take any affidavit now taken by a Commissioner of the Supreme Court or by a Commissioner under the Declarations and Affidavits Act 1890.
- 3. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will supply the following information to this House—
 - 1. Why, in the opinion of the Officer in Charge of the Export Department, the returns for apples exported to Europe during the past season have been so disappointing.

2. Can such officer suggest anything that can be done to secure better returns in future for fruit exported to Europe.

3. Will the Government take any action before next season to place the Export Fruit-growing industry on a more profitable footing, and report on an early date to this House what action they propose to take.

- 4. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, if he will supply the following information to this House:—
 - 1. Is the Government taking any steps towards arranging an experimental shipment of next season's apples and pears under the Dry Air circulating system similar to that in use at the Doncaster and Ringwood Government Cool Stores. If so, will the information relating to same be made available to members of this House.

2. Will the Government when dealing with the export of perishable products to the port of Hull consider the question of fitting one of the ships with the Dry Air circulating system

and thus demonstrate its effectiveness respecting safe carriage of fruit.

3. Will the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture make available to members Mr. McAlpine's report on the experiments he has made in the storage of apples, and the Bitter Pit question.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- i. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Game Acts Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 4. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 5. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 6. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 7. Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS BILL—(Hon, J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. University Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 11. Frankston Land Bill—(from Assembly Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. FLOOD PROTECTION ACT 1911 AMENDMENT BILL--(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 13. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 14. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 15. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 16. Industrial Associations Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

Orders of the Day:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts.—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as—
 - (a) Hand or machine blockers;
 - (b) Stiffeners;
 - (c) Dyers' assistants;
 - (d) Bleachers' assistants;
 - (e) Packers."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

- -ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-(Appointed 3rd July, 1912). The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.
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- Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
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- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.
- Printing—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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Frankston Land Bill—[22]. (To Members of Council only).

Flood Protection Bill—[34]. (To Members of Council only).

Pounds Bill—[36]. New Clause to be proposed by the Honorable H. F. Richardson in lieu of Clause 4.

(To Members of Council only.)

Licensing Districts Bill—[41]. Amendments to be proposed by the Honorable A. Robinson. (To Members of Council only.)

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VICTORIA.

No. 9.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the resumption by and transfer to the Crown of certain Lands in the Parish of Creswick and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st July, 1912.

- 3. Creswick Land Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend Section Seven of the 'Special Funds Act 1910," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st July, 1912. Speaker.

- 5. Special Funds Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT.

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The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revive and continue the Chaff and Stock Food Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1912.

7. CHAFF AND STOCK FOOD ACTS CONTINUANCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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8. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Certificate of the Honorable Hugh McKenzie, His Majesty's Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and a Responsible Minister of the Crown, specifying the lands in the City of South Melbourne, proposed to be resumed, in pursuance of section 399 of the Land Act 1901, for public purposes in connexion with the establishment of a Public Market Building. Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.-Report of the Secretary and

Inspector for the year 1911.

Education Act 1890.—Education Act 1910, No. 2301, Section 28 (c). Addition to Regulations —Regulation XXXVIII.—Advisory Council for District High Schools.

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1911.

9. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of sub-clause (6) of clause 2.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-

- (a) Manufacturing fibrous plaster, or making architectural ornaments of fibrous plaster, plaster. or cement;
- (b) Fixing or finishing fibrous plaster on walls or ceilings of buildings;

(c) Architectural modelling,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 6th August, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 20th August instant.

11. Game Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved - That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. Fires Prevention Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at thirty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow,

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1912.

General Business.

Notice of Motion:-

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz .: - "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)
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TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz: -- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-
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VICTORIA.

No. 10.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Honorable Members, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council, agreed to on the 23rd July ultimo, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, I thank you for your expressions of loyalty to Our Most Gracious Sovereign contained in the Address which you have just presented to me.

I fully rely on your wisdom in deliberating upon the important measures to be brought under your consideration, and I earnestly hope that the results of your labours will be conducive to the advancement and prosperity of this State.

JOHN FULLER, General of Victoria.

3. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. INTER-STATE DESTITUTE PERSONS RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (other than persons subject to the Determination of the Carpenters Board or the Plumbers Board) employed in the occupation of builder's labourer engaged in the erection, repair, or demolition of buildings," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 7th August, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Wednesday, 21st August instant. 7170. (600 copies.)

6. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

7. University Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

8. Frankston Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

9. FLOOD PROTECTION ACT 1911 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

10. Creswick Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

- 11. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 8 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 12. CHAFF AND STOCK FOOD ACTS CONTINUANCE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.

 10 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 14. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-two minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)
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- 5. Special Funds Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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 To be further considered in Committee.
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- 14. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 15. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL-(Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 16. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST.

General Business.

Notice of Motion:-

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of —
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ORDER OF THE DAY:-

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VICTORIA.

No. 11.

THE **PROCEEDINGS** MINUTES OF

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :-

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

- "An Act to revoke the permanent reservation for Watering Purposes of certain Land in the Parish. of Frankston."
- "An Act to amend the 'Flood Protection Act 1911."
- "An Act to provide for the resumption by and transfer to the Crown of certain Lands in the Parish of Creswick and for other purposes.

The Government Offices,

Melbourne, 12th August, 1912.

- 3. PAPER .- The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-
 - Forests Act 1907.—Copy of the proposed Order in Council (No. 7) to excise certain areas from the State Forests for the purposes of settlement and road; together with Schedule.
- 4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a dyer or clothes cleaner, having been read-

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :-

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as-

- (a) Hand or machine blockers;
- (b) Stiffeners;
- (c) Dyers' assistants;
- (d) Bleachers' assistants;
- (e) Packers,

having been read The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

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The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

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6. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

7. Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

8. Special Funds Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

9. Corrections in Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk:—

Parliament House, Melbourne, 13th August, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "An Act for the Relief of Persons whose Relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes," viz.:—

In clause 9, line 11, the word "thereof" has been inserted in place of the word "hereof."

In clause 25, sub-clause (3), paragraph (b), line 37, the word "therein" has been inserted in place of the word "herein."

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

10. CHAFF AND STOCK FOOD ACTS CONTINUANCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

- 11. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill liaving been read, the Honorable F. Haglethorn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 27th August instant.
- 12. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A.O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 to 16 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 14. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-one minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. J. McWhae: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - 1. Is the Government aware that the Australian Meat Company, recently registered in Brisbane, is controlled and financed by Swift and Co., of Chicago, the militant and dominant members of the American Beef Trust.
 - 2. Does the Government approve of the Geelong Harbor Trust granting the Australian Meat Company, or its representative, or agent, accommodation at their freezing works.
 - 3. Does the Government propose taking action to prevent a public body financed by the State from assisting and fostering the greatest monoply and combine in food-stuffs in the world.
 - 4. Were not the Geelong Harbor Trust Works erected primarily in the interests of the producer.
 - 5. Is the Government aware that the operations of the American Beef Trust have ruined numbers of stock-raisers, have decreased the value of stock, and greatly increased the cost of meat to the consumer.
 - 6. Will the Government take steps to protect the Victorian producer and consumer from being exploited by this all-powerful combine, whose machinations have resulted disastrously to the United States, despite the utmost efforts of the American Government to afford protection and relief to its people.
- 2. The Hon. W. J. EVANS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, whether he will furnish the name of the Cool Stores Engineer upon whose opinion he (the Minister of Agriculture) based his reply to the recent questions respecting the experimental shipment of fruit under the dry-air circulating system, and also all correspondence which has passed between that officer and the Department with regard to the above subject.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Game Acts Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 5. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL-(Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 7. INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 8. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

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TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether, upon the appointment of a valuer under the State Land Tax Act 1910, such valuer is furnished by the Department with particulars of each owner's holding in the particular district for which such valuer has been appointed; and, if so, why are owners called upon to again supply this information to the valuer.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—" That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—
 - (a) Manufacturing fibrous plaster, or making architectural ornaments of fibrous plaster, plaster, or cement;

(b) Fixing or finishing fibrous plaster on walls or ceilings of buildings;

- (c) Architectural modelling."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
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 - (a) Hand or machine blockers;

(b) Stiffeners;

(c) Dyers' assistants;

(d) Bleachers' assistants;

(e) Packers."—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (other than persons subject to the Determination of the Carpenters Board or the Plumbers Board) employed in the occupation of builder's labourer engaged in the erection, repair, or demolition of buildings."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).

THOS. G. WATSON,

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No. 12.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Corrections in Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk:—

Parliament House, Melbourne, 14th August, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pounds Act 1890," viz.:—

In clause 3, line 16, the word "circulating" has been inserted in place of the word "circulated."

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THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

3. PAPER.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented—

Closer Settlement—Estates Purchased by the Government.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 31st July, 1912, for a Return showing—

- 1. The number of estates bought by the Government under the Closer Settlement Acts during the past ten years;
- 2. The names of such estates, and districts where situated;
- 3. The area taken up on each of these estates by settlers; and
- 4. The area still open for settlement on each estate purchased.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved - That the Council will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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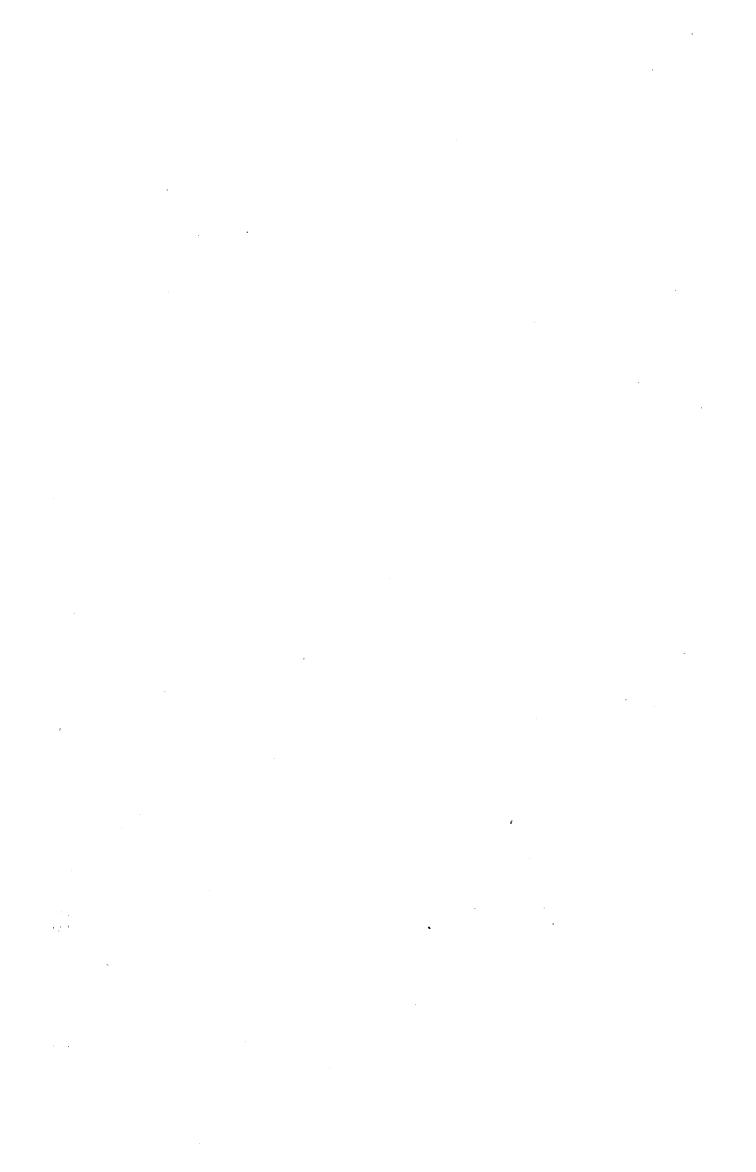
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- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-four minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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- 3. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the necessary instructions will be given so that copies of the Government Gazette will be regularly supplied to all free libraries free of cost for the information especially of country residents in connexion with the impounding of stock, &c.

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- 2. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).

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No. 13.

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TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act to amend Section Seven of the 'Special Funds Act 1910."

"An Act to revive and continue the Chaff and Stock Food Acts."

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 19th August, 1912.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 15th August, 1912.

Speaker.

- 4. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented—

Newport Railway Workshops, State Coal Mine, and Brick Works at Wonthaggi.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 31st July, 1912, for a Return showing—

1. The total expenditure to date on (a) buildings, (b) equipment, at the Newport Railway Workshops, together with a copy of the balance-sheet for the last year, if available, showing the total expenditure for that year and the value of the work resulting from such expenditure.

2. The amount expended at the State Coal Mine since the Commissioners took charge, and debited to Capital Account, stating (a) amount for machinery and electric equipment, and (b) amount for sinking and driving.

3. The expenditure on the Brick Works at Wonthaggi since the Commissioners took charge, and the total receipts resulting from such expenditure.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911.

Forests Act 1907.—Copy of proposed Order in Council No. 8 to excise certain areas from the State Forests for the purposes of settlement, mineral spring, etc., together with Schedule. Report of the Inspector of Inebriate Institutions for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

(600 copies.)

- 6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-
 - (a) Manufacturing fibrous plaster, or making architectural ornaments of fibrous plaster, plaster, or cement;

(b) Fixing or finishing fibrous plaster on walls or ceilings of buildings;

(c) Architectural modelling, having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing
- 7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as-

(a) Hand or machine blockers;

(b) Stiffeners;

(c) Dyers' assistants;

(d) Bleachers' assistants;

(e) Packers, having been read-

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That the resolution be amended by inserting after the words "classes of persons" the words "(being males)".

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

8. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered -That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

9. GAME ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3 and 17.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

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- 10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 5 be postponed until after No. 10.
- 11. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

12. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive and Order of the Day No. 5 be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at ten minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1912.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

Government Business.

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- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (other than persons subject to the Determination of the Carpenters Board or the l'humbers Board) employed in the occupation of builder's labourer engaged in the erection, repair, or demolition of buildings."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
- 2. INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 3. FIRES PREVENTION BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

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- 1. The Hon. J. McWhae: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - Is the Government aware that the Australian Meat Company, recently registered in Brisbane, is controlled and financed by Swift and Co., of Chicago, members of the American Beef Trust.
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 - 2. Does the Government approve of the Geelong Harbor Trust granting the Australian Mea Company, or its representative, or agent, accommodation at their freezing works.
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 - Were not the Geelong Harbor Trust Works erected primarily in the interests of the producer.
 Is the Government aware that the operations of the American Beef Trust have ruined numbers of stock-raisers, have decreased the value of stock, and greatly increased the cost of meat to
 - the consumer.

 6. Will the Government take steps to protect the Victorian producer and consumer from being exploited by this all-powerful combine.
- 2. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General why, upon the appointment of a valuer under the State Land Tax Act 1910, such valuer is not furnished by the Department with particulars required, and already supplied, of each owner's holding in the particular district for which such valuer has been appointed.

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- 2. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 3. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Consideration of Report.
- 4. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

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THE PROCEEDINGS MINUTES OF

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—
 The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question-That the debate be now adjourned-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

3. CORRECTION IN FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk:-

Parliament House. Melbourne, 21st August, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled " An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act 1890,' and for other purposes," viz. :-

In clause 2, page 2, paragraph (c), line 7, the quotation marks "have been inserted after the word "Gazette."

> THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (other than persons subject to the Determination of the Carpenters Board or the Plumbers Board) employed in the occupation of builder's labourer engaged in the erection, repair, or demolition of buildings, having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the

foregoing resolution.

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House in Committee.

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Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee. (600 copies.)

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- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.

 3 to 7 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
 The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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VICTORIA.

No. 15.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and eleven and One thousand nine hundred and twelve," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd August, 1912.

- 3. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, to be read a second time this day.
- 4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schednle D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12.

- 5. Factories and Shops Acts--Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of the manufacture of straw hats, as—
 - (a) Hand or machine blockers;
 - (b) Stiffeners;
 - (c) Dyers' assistants;
 - (d) Bleachers' assistants;
 - (e) Packers; and on the amendment to insert the words "(being males)" after the words "classes of persons," having been read—

Debate resumed.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

- Question—That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution—put and resolved in the attirmative.
- Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 6. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, and had amended the title thereof, which title is as follows:—"A Bill to amend the Licensing Acts with regard to determining the number of Inhabitants of Licensing Districts and also as to Licences in Mallee Country and Mallee Border and also as to the conditions of renewals of victuallers licences.

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday, 10th

September next.

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7. INDUSTRIAL Associations Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 10th September next.

10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President.

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of bill-posting," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 10th September next.

11. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in—

(a) The generation or distribution of electricity;

(b) The manufacture, repair, or maintenance of electrical appliances when such work is done by generators, distributers, or installers,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 10th September next

- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 13. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1912.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—

The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2) (from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Industrial Associations Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 6. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 7. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 8. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 9. FIRES PREVENTION BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters."—To be taken into consideration.—(Ilon. J. D. Brown.)
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No. 16.

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 11th September next.
- 3. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 4. INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.

 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
 - Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday, 10th September next.
- 5. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill baving been read, the Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 10th September next.
- 6. Vaccination Certificates Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.

 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time
 - and passed.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
- 7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 10th September next.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 10th September next.

And then the Council, at twenty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 10th September next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. A. McLellan: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Health-
 - 1. Does the Department of Public Health subject samples taken from the public milk supply of Melbourne and suburbs to bacteriological examination.
 - 2. If so, how many samples were taken for such purpose in the years 1910, 1911, and 1912 prior to
 - 3. How many samples were found to contain tubercle bacilli.
 - 4. In those cases in which samples were found to contain tubercle bacilli, what efforts were made to trace the source from which the milk came.
 - 5. If the dairy or farm from which the milk came was discovered, what steps were taken to prevent the milk from the animals affected going into human consumption.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
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WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.— The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).

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Mines Bill-[13].

Boilers Inspection Bill-[84]. Closer Settlement Bill—[15]-

New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Downward. (To Members only.) Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Robertson. (To Members only.)

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No. 17.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and eleven and One thousand nine hundred and twelve."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 30th August, 1912.

3. Correction in Vaccination Certificates Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk:—

Parliament House, Melbourne, 10th September, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the bonour to report that I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Health Acts with regard to Vaccination Certificates," viz.:—

In clause 3, line 12, at the commencement of the clause, the figure "(1)" has been inserted.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

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The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person (not already provided for by any existing Special Board) employed as storeman, packer, or sorter, in connexion with any trade or business," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd September, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 24th September instant.

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5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 3rd September, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 24th September instant.

- 6. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. McWhae moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the American Beef Trust, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put, and, after debate, negatived.
- 7. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Gas Inquiry Board.—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Land Tax Act 1910, No. 2284.—Statement of moneys received and expended during the financial year 1911-12.

Marine Act 1890.

Regulations for the Carriage of Motor Vehicles by Ship.

Additional Regulations relating to the Equipment of Ships with Life-Saving Appliances.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations—

Classification of Professional Division—

Department of Law. Department of Law.

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Public Health.

Classification of General Division-

Department of Law. Department of Law.

Amendments of the Regulations-

Appointment to the General Division.

Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division.

- 8. Postponement of Order of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day (No. 1) be postponed until Tuesday, 24th September instant.
- 9. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:-That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of bill-posting, having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in-

(a) The generation or distribution of electricity;
(b) The manufacture, repair, or maintenance of electrical appliances when such work is done by generators, distributers, or installers, having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Ordered-That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 11. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged. On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 5, A, BB, and G.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the

whole in respect of clauses A and G.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

12. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz. :-- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the precess, trade, business, or occupation of preparing horsehair for trade or sale," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 10th September, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered —That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 24th September instant.

13. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.: - "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade. or business of a manufacturer of felt hats," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 10th September, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 24th September instant.

14. INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

Ordered-That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

15. Corrections in Industrial Associations Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk :-

Parliament House, Melbourne, 10th September, 1912.

Mr. President,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Industrial Associations," viz.:—

In clause 2, page 2, sub-clause (5) (a), line 8, the figures "1912" have been inserted in place of the figures "1911."

In clause 2, page 2, sub-clause (5) (b), line 16, the figures "1912" have been inserted in place of the figures "1911."

In clause 2, page 2, sub-clause (5) (c), line 21, the figures "1912" have been inserted in place of the figures "1911."

In the First Schedule the figures "1912" have been inserted in place of the figures "1911." In the Third Schedule the figures "1912" have been inserted in place of the figures "1911."

> THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

16. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative. - Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A, O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
- 17. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable R. B. Rees delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, RICHARD BLOOMFIELD REES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Swan Hill, and are known as shop and dwelling properties, situate in Campbell-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Swan Hill are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value

of above One hundred pounds per annum.

"And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"R. BLOOMFIELD REES."

18. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

19. Scaffolding Inspection Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 20. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.
 9 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 21. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-one minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Thistle Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 4. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 5. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. The Hon. Walter Manifold: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Honorable the Premier should take action to prevent the American Beef Trust or its agents from obtaining a footing within the Commonwealth, and for that purpose that he should consult with the other State Premiers with a view to simultaneously passing the necessary legislation.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—

The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).

TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
- 2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person (not already provided for by any existing Special Board) employed as storeman, packer, or sorter in connexion with any trade or business."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
- 3. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

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- 4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz:—" That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of preparing horsehair for trade or sale."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D Brown.)
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."-To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 17th September.

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LIBRARY (JOINT)—At quarter to four o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) -- The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamsen, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

Charitable Institutions-Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15). Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Explosives-Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 1st December, 1911 (No. 13).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30).

Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the—Progress Report (No. 31).

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory.—Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1910-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs—Royal Commission on.—Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission

appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911-

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7). Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners-Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.

Factories and Shops Acts-

Application for a Special Board for the Process, Trade, Business, or Occupation of Bill-posting. (To Members of Council only.)

Application for a Special Board for Persons employed in-(a) The Generation or Distribution of Electricity.

(b) The Manufacture, Repair, or Maintenance of Electrical Appliances when such work is done by Generators, Distributors, or Installers. (To Members of Council only.) Application for a Special Board for the Process, Trade, Business, or Occupation of Making or Repairing Gas-meters. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 25 and 26.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27.

Division in Committee of the Whole. No. 3.

Game Acts Amendment Bill-[9]. (To Members only.)

Closer Settlement Bill - [15]

Amendment and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Oman. (To Members only.)

Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

Health Bill 1912—[21]. (To Members only.)

Apprenticeship Bill-[31]. New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. J. W. Billson. (To Members only.

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill-[59]-

Amendment and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. A. A. Billson. (To Members

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McCutcheon. (To Members only.)

Thornbury Land Bill—[105].

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No. 18.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1912. $\mathbf{Speaker}.$

- 3. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Closer Settlement Acts and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1912.

Speaker.

- 5. Closer Settlement Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Savings Banks Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 10th September, 1912.

7. Savings Banks Acts further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An lAct to amend the 'Instruments Act 1890' in relation to Bills of Sale and other Instruments required by that Act to be filed or registered," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1912. Speaker.

- 9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. McLellan moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the administration of the Department of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture so far as it relates to the public health, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
- 10. Papers.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1911:—

Part III.—Municipal Statistics. Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—-

The Dentists Acts.—Dental Board of Victoria.—Regulations relating to Elections.

11. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 13 ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-eight minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

General Business.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. Walter Manifold: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Honorable the Premier should take action to prevent the American Beef Trust or its agents from obtaining a footing within the Commonwealth, and for that purpose that he should consult with the other State Premiers with a view to simultaneously passing the necessary legislation.
- 2. The Hon. A. A Austin: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Sheep Dipping Act 1909.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—

The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Savings Banks Acts further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 2. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. Thistle Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 5. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
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- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th September.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)-At four o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

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- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Robinson. (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. Balfour. (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Walter Manifold. (To Members of Council only.) Scaffolding Inspection Bill-[49]-

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No. 19.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. AMERICAN BEEF TRUST.—The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, pursuant to amended notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should take action to prevent the American Beef Trust or its agents from obtaining a footing within the Commonwealth, and for that purpose that the Government should consult with the other State Governments with a view to simultaneously passing the necessary legislation.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. SHEEP DIPPING ACT 1909 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. A. Austin, a Bill to amend the Sheep Dipping Act 1909 was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
- 4. PAPER.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1911.—Part V.—Accumulation. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 6. SAVINGS BANKS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed

to the Bill without amendment.

- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered-That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at twenty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council. .

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)
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- 6. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 9. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon) F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 11. Fires Prevention Bill—(Ilon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee. The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).
- 2. SHEEP DIPPING ACT 1909 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. A. A. Austin)-Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th September.

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VICTORIA.

No. 20.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

- "An Act to amend the 'Instruments Act 1890' in relation to Bills of Sale and other Instruments required by that Act to be filed or registered."
- "An Act to further amend the Savings Banks Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 24th September, 1912.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Boilers Inspection Act 1906," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 18th September, 1912. Speaker.

Speaker.

- 4. Boilers Inspection Acr 1906 Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Mines Acts so far as relates to Leases thereunder," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 18th September, 1912.

6. MINING LEASES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Training Ships," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, '

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 18th September, 1912.

Speaker.

- Training Ships Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law as to the Custody of Children," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 18th September, 1912.

Speaker.

- 10 CUSTODY OF CHILDREN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 2nd October next.
- 11. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS--APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:-That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of making or repairing gas-meters, having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 12. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz :- That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person (not already provided for by any existing Special Board) employed as storeman, packer, or sorter in connexion with any trade or business, having been read-

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Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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- 13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz .: - That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on, having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

14. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz :- That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of preparing horsehair for trade or sale, having been read—
The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to

the foregoing resolution.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered-That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

15. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats, having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the

foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable A. McLellan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

16. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved - That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

17. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at thirty-five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—

 The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. Melville).
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- 2. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 3. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 5. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

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No. 21.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912. The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts for year ended 30th June, 1912.

3. Public Accounts and State Industrial Enterprises—Appointment of Select Committee.—
The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable to appoint a Select Committee of Public Accounts to consider and report upon any matters that may be referred to it relating to the Public Accounts and the Expenditure upon and Revenue derived from State Industrial Enterprises, having been read—Debate resumed.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

4. Sheep Dipping Act 1909 Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

- 5. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

 The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council -•

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LEGISLATIVE

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The question is -That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on.—Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Walter S. Munifold).
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- 3. MINING LEASES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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- 5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading— Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
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- 8. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 11. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2nd OCTOBER.

General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. SHEEP DIPPING ACT 1909 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. A. A. Austin)—Consideration of Report.

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VICTORIA.

No. 22.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911.

Public Service Acts.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the promotion of George Clowser from the Third to the Second Class in the Department of Public Works.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the office of Alderman and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 25th September, 1912.

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- 4. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, No. 1 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. MINING LEASES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a

third time and passed. Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

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8. Training Ships Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

9. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 6 to 12 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at twenty-eight minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1912.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:--

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. SHEEP DIPPING ACT 1909 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. A. A. Austin)—Consideration of Report.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

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- 7. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL-(Hon. W. H. Edgar)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The question is-That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:-"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on."—Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is-That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:— "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."-Resumption of debate—(Hon. A. McLellan).

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ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

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VICTORIA.

No. 23.

PROCEEDINGS MINUTES OF THE

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 3. SHEEP DIPPING ACT 1909 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable A. A. Austin, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole for the consideration of a proposed Schedule.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

4. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave

Resolved - That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 6. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable R. B. Rees, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister for Railways—
 - 1. Under what statutory authority is the very considerable expenditure of the Railways Commissioners at Tottenham being incurred.
 - 2. What is the object of these works.
 - 3. What is their estimated cost.
 - 4. What is the total amount expended to date.
 - 5. Has the work been rendered necessary by the fact that no stable foundation has yet been obtained for the gravitation goods yard at North Melbourne.
 - 6. What is the present weekly disbursement of the Railways Commissioners in connexion with works being carried out within the Metropolitan area,
 - 7. What is the number of men employed on these works.
 - 8. What number of these men are recently arrived immigrants.
- 2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable F. Hagelthorn if his attention has been drawn to the leading article in the *Herald* of 2nd October instant, drawing attention to the number of "diseased immigrants" that are being shipped out from Great Britain, and what action he proposes to take to prevent the unfit from obtaining assisted passages.
- 3. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Labour—
 - 1. At whose request has the operation of the Factories and Shops Acts been extended to the whole State.
 - 2. Has any Shire Council, Agricultural Society, or any other representative body in touch with the rural producers made any request for such extension.
 - 3. If they have, state which and at what time.
 - 4. Is the Government of opinion that this extension will enable the primary producer to meet the competition in the world's markets better than formerly.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on."—Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."—
 Resumption of debate—(Hon. A. McLellan).
- 3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.

7171. (160 copies.)

- 4. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. B. Rees).
- 6. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 8. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Country Roads Bill-[86].

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VICTORIA.

No. 24.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act to amend the Mine: Acts so far as relates to Leases thereunder."

"An Act relating to Training Ships."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

3. Correction in Sheep Dipping Act 1909 Amendment Bill.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk:—

Parliament House, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shecp Dipping Act 1909," viz.:—

In clause G, in the Schedule, the word "contains" has been inserted in place of the word "contain."

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Spirit Merchants' Licences," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912. Speaker.

57 SPIRIT MERCHANTS' LICENCES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legislation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

- 7. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Board of Land and Works and the Mayor Councillors and Burgesses of the Borough of Dunolly to transfer a portion of a certain piece of Land vested as a Site for Public Gardens at Dunolly to the Minister of Public Instruction and his Successors and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

- 9. Dunolly State School Site Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Exchange of a certain piece of Land vested for certain purposes in the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne for a certain piece of Land in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is registered as the proprietor of an estate in fee simple and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

11. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill.—The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, with the exception of those relating to the payment of fees, he suspended in relation to the Bill to provide for the Exchange of a certain piece of Land vested for certain purposes in the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne for a certain piece of Land in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is registered as the proprietor of an estate in fee simple and for other purposes, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill,

Question--put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 12. MELBOURNE LANDS EXCHANGE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 13. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Packing and Sale of Fruit and Vegetables and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

14. Fruir and Vegetables Packing and Sale Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. - The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

Speaker.

16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Administration and Probate Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 3rd October, 1912.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend Section Seven of the 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890,' " and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 3rd October 1912.

Speaker.

18. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Education Act 1890.—Clause rescinded, Regulation made.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notice of Intention to close portions of the Morwell and Agnes Rivers,

also the Dingo Creek, against all Fishing until 31st August, 1914.

Water Acts.—Copy of Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the area that ought to be constituted the Dingee Irrigation and Water Supply District; together with the plan showing the area of such proposed District.

19. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :- That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on, having been read-

Debate resumed.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, as an amendment, That the word "or" be inserted after the word "process".

And after debate—

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

A. A. Austin,

J. Balfour,

E. J. Crooke,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. McWhae,

D. Melville,

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A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

T. H. Payne.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn, J. Y. McDonald,

A. McLellan,

R. B. Rees.

W. J. Evans,

W. Little.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, as a further amendment, That the words "business, or occupation" be omitted.

And after debate—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 9.
The Hon. J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
W. Little,
J. Y. McDonald,
A. McLellan.

Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott, R. B. Rees. Noes, 10.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
E. J. Crooke,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,

Tellers.
W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin.

A. O. Sachse.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the Council agree to the foregoing resolution, as amended—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the foregoing resolution, with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

20. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable W. J. Evans moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

21. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

- 22. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
- 23. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.
 4 to 10 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at thirty-three minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister for Railways—
 - 1. Under what statutory authority is the very considerable expenditure of the Railways Commissioners at Tottenham being incurred.
 - 2. What is the object of these works.
 - 3. What is their estimated cost.
 - 4. What is the total amount expended to date.
 - 5. Has the work been rendered necessary by the fact that no stable foundation has yet been obtained for the gravitation goods yard at North Melbourne.
 - 6. What is the present weekly disbursement of the Railways Commissioners in connexion with works being carried out within the Metropolitan area.
 - 7. What is the number of men employed on these works.
 - 8. What number of these men are recently-arrived immigrants.
- 2. The Hon. A. McLellan: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay upon the table of the Library the report of the Director of Education, and also the reports of the District Inspectors, relative to the site of a State school proposed to be erected at Dunolly.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
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- 7. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Spirit Merchants' Licences Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 2. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown) Second reading.
- 3. DUNOLLY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 4. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
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No. 25.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and forty-three thousand and thirty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 8th October, 1912.

Speaker.

- 3. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Preserving meat;

(b) Preparing food products from animal fat,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 9th October, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 22nd October instant.

5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Making nails;

(b) Weaving wire netting or barbed wire;

(c) Galvanizing,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 9th October, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 22nd October instant. (600 copies).

- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 8. Closer Settlement Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed, and, on the motion of the Honorable E. J. Crooke, further adjourned until after the consideration of the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).
- 9. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had again agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and Shops," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 9th October, 1912. Speaker.

- 11. Factories and Shops Law Consolidation Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at twenty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Hon, R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister for Railways—
 - 1. Under what statutory authority is the very considerable expenditure of the Railways Commissioners at Tottenham being incurred.
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 - 5. Has the work been rendered necessary by the fact that no stable foundation has yet been obtained for the gravitation goods yard at North Melbourne.
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 - 7. What is the number of men employed on these works.
 - 8. What number of these men are recently-arrived immigrants.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. E. J. Crooke).
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- 15. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
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 Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).

(160 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:- 'That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of-

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- 2. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-
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THOS. G. WATSON,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 15th October.

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VICTORIA

No. 26.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act to amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896."

"An Act to further amend the Administration and Probate Acts."

"An Act to amend Section Seven of the 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890."

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and forty-three thousand and thirty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen."

State Government House, Melbourne, 10th October, 1912.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Developmental Railways in Country Districts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1912.

Speaker.

- 4. Developmental Railways Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, for the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 9th October, 1912. Speaker.

(600 copies.)

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6. COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED BILL.—The Honorable J. McWhae moved, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly requesting that they will be pleased to communicate to the Council copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee to which this Bill was referred.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons.—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1911.

Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of Part III., Land Act 1901, relating to Village Settlements, during the financial year ended 30th June, 1912.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1911.—Part VI., Social Condition.

The Land Acts.—Report for the eighteen months ended 30th June, 1912.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the reply given by the Honorable the Attorney-General to his question on to day's Notice Paper, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and negatived.
- 9. Closer Settlement Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable A. A. Austin, further adjourned until to-morrow,
- 10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council copies of the Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited Bill, in accordance with the request of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 15th October, 1912.

11. COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED BILL.—The Honorable J. McWhae having produced a receipt that the sum of £20 had been paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the State, moved, That the Bill intituled "An Act relating to The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited" be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at twenty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing to what Cities, Towns, and Boroughs, and to what portions of Shires, the determinations of the Wages Boards have been extended; and, at the same time, give a list of the trades affected and the wages to be paid.

General Business.

Notice of Motion:-

1. The Hon. J. McWhae: To move, That so much of Standing Order No. 323 as provides for "three clear days" and Standing Order No. 324 relating to Private Bills be suspended, in order to facilitate the passage through this House of the Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 3. COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. Mc Whae)
 —Second reading.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Closer Settlement Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. A. A. Austin).
- 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Factories and Shops Law Consolidation Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. B. Rees).
- 5. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 7. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 11. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. DUNOLLY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.

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- 13. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 14. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 15. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."—
 Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, if he will furnish this House with the following information:—

Closer Settlement Acts.

(a) The total number of leases that have been forfeited up to 30th June, 1912.

(b) The total amount paid by lessees as deposits—and subsequently their holdings have been forfeited—up to the 30th June, 1912; also the amount paid as interest to the same date on those holdings.

(c) The total amount paid by lessees before their holdings were forfeited in reduction of

capital account up to 30th June, 1912.

(d) In how many cases of cancelled leases has the deposit been returned to the lessees with the valuation of improvements.

(e) Is it a fact that for the past two or three months these deposits have been credited and

deducted from the lessee's capital account.

(f) What is the intention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey or the Closer Settlement Board as to refunding these deposits to those lessees whose holdings were forfeited prior to the two or three months referred to above.

(g) What is the loss the Closer Settlement Board has sustained by the cancellation of leases as between the outgoing and ingoing lessee to 30th June, 1912.

(h) If there is no loss, what is the total amount to the credit of the Closer Settlement Board in connexion with these transactions.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

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THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 16th October.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—At seven o'clock.

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- Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamsen, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans. A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.
- Printing—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs. F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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Observatory.—Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Reports—

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Report from the (D. No. 2).

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Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on .-- Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

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Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

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Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7). Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

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Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners-Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

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Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill—[47]. (To Members of Council only.)
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Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—[59]. Proposed Additions and Omissions. (To Members of Council only.)

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Division in Committee of the Whole. No. 7.

Country Roads Bill—[86].-

Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Mackinnon. (To Members only.) Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Toutcher. (To Members only.)

Richmond Land Bill-[101].

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Report on the proposed Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway; together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. Report No. 5.

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No. 27.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Extension of Determinations of Wages Boards to Country Districts,-The Honorable H. F. Richardson having asked the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay upon the Table of the House a return showing to what cities, towns, and boroughs, and to what portions of shires, the Determinations of the Wages Boards have been extended, and at the same time give a list of the trades affected and the wages to be paid-
 - The Honorable J. D. Brown laid upon the Table a copy of Appendix D. to the report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1911, and an Alphabetical List of Special Boards constituted in Victoria.
- 3. COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED BILL.—The Honorable J. McWhae moved, That so much of Standing Order No. 323 as provides for "three clear days" and Standing Order No. 324 relating to Private Bills be suspended, in order to facilitate the passage through this House of the Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited Bill. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have disagreed with the amendments made by the Legislative Council to insert the word "or" after the word "process" and to omit the words "business or occupation" in the following resolution, viz.:-"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on."

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 15th October, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Pure Food Act 1905, Section 41.—Health Acts.—Regulations for securing the cleanliness and freedom from contamination of articles of food.

The State Savings Bank of Victoria.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Wednesday next.

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7. COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

8. Closer Settlement Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 10. Factories and Shops Acts: Special Boards.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Alphabetical List of Special Boards constituted in Victoria forming portion of the Return furnished by the Honorable the Attorney-General this day in answer to his question be printed. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 11. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-two minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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Question.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer,
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 8.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act relating to The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limited."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 22nd October, 1912.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Game Acts." and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th October, 1912. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

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The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Leasing and Sale of Crown Lands in the Township of Wonthaggi and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 16th October, 1912.

5. Wonthaggi Land Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

(600 copies.)

6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines to the Honorable P. McBride, M.P., Minister of Mines and Railways for Victoria, including the State Coal Mines, Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1911-12.

Forests Act 1907-

Copy of proposed Order in Council, No. 9, to excise certain areas from the State Forests

for the purposes of Settlement, &c., together with Schedule. Copy of proposed Order in Council, No. 10, to excise certain areas from the State Forests for the purposes of Settlement, together with Schedule.

Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907—Regulations.

7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committée.

8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at twenty-seven minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council

LEGISLATIVE

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 23rd OCTOBER, 1912.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, if he will furnish this House with the following information:-

Closer Settlement Acts.

(a) The total number of leases that have been forfeited up to 30th June, 1912.

(b) The total amount paid by lessees as deposits—and subsequently their holdings have been forfeited—up to the 30th June, 1912; also the amount paid as interest to the same date on those holdings.

(c) The total amount paid by lessees before their holdings were forfeited in reduction of capital account up to 30th June, 1912.

(d) In how many cases of cancelled leases has the deposit been returned to the lessees with

the valuation of improvements. (e) Is it a fact that for the past two or three months these deposits have been credited and

deducted from the lessee's capital account.

(f) What is the intention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey or the Closer Settlement Board as to refunding these deposits to those lessees whose holdings were forfeited prior to the two or three months referred to above.

(g) What is the loss the Closer Settlement Board has sustained by the cancellation of leases as between the outgoing and ingoing lessee to 30th June, 1912.

(h) If there is no loss, what is the total amount to the credit of the Closer Settlement Board in connexion with these transactions.

(i) If the Board make a profit, what is the amount up to 30th June, 1912.

- (j) What steps have been taken to inform lessees as to their liabilities and privileges under the Closer Settlement Acts.
- 2. The Hon, J. Balfour: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he will lay upon the Table a complete list of teachers from other Australian States or any part of the British Empire who have been registered in Victoria since 1st January, 1910, giving the dates of registration and a full statement of the qualifications on which the registrations were made.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Factories and Shops Acts—Resolution for Appointment of Special Wages Board for Office-Cleaners.—Amendments of the Legislative Council disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly to be considered.
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- 20. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL (from Assembly Hon. F. Hagelthorn) Second reading.

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Covernment Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Wonthaggi Land Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

JNO. M. DAVIES,

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No. 29.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive be postponed until after No. 6.
- 5. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read, and after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

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Resolved-That the Council will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5, and 7 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-three minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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- 2. The Hon. R. B. Rees: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Railways, if he will lay upon the Table a statement showing, as far as the Government is able to obtain such information:—
 - 1. The railways which have been operated by steam and subsequently converted, either wholly or partly, into electric railways in Great Britain, the Continent of Europe, and in North and South America.
 - 2. The known results in acceleration of speed and relieving of congested traffic, also the financial results accruing from such conversions.
 - 3. The steam railways which have been converted into electric railways under the supervision of Messrs. Merz and McLellan.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:--

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Factories and Shors Acts—Resolution for Appointment of Special Wages Board for Office-cleaners.—Amendments of the Legislative Council disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, to be considered.
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- 19. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown) Second reading.
- 20. Wonthaggi Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.

THOS. G. WATSON,

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Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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VICTORIA.

No. 30.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Conveyancing Act 1904' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 23rd October, 1912. Speaker.

- 3. Conveyancing Act 1904 further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 13th November next.
- 4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Fisheries Act 1890.-Notice of Intention to vary a Proclamation relating to Netting in Cunninghame Arm, at Gippsland Lakes Entrance.

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in

Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved - That the Council will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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The Council divided.

Ayes, 16
The Hon. W. C. Angliss,
J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, W. H. Edgar,

W. H. Edgar, Walter S. Manifold,

J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae,

E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson,

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Telters. W. J. Evans, A. McLellan. Noes, 8.

The Hon. T. Beggs,

F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke,

A. Hicks, H. F. Richardson,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

A. A. Austin.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive, and Order of the Day No. 1, viz. :—

Closer Settlement Bill.—To be further considered in Committee, postponed accordingly.

And then the Council, at forty-seven minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon, J. Balfour: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he will lay upon the Table a complete list of teachers from other Australian States or any part of the British Empire who have been registered in Victoria since 1st January, 1910, giving the dates of registration and a full statement of the qualifications on which the registrations were made.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business. *

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Factories and Shors Acts—Resolution for Appointment of Special Wages Board for Office-cleaners.—Amendments of the Legislative Council disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, to be considered.
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- 5. Game Acts Amendment Bill.—Amendment of the Assembly to be taken into consideration.
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- 7. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 8. FIRES PREVENTION BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL-(Hon. W. H. Edgar) To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 11. SPIRIT MERCHANTS' LICENCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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- 12. DUNOLLY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 13. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 14. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading,
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WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Conveyancing Act 1904 Further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter & Manifold)—Second reading.

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VICTORIA

No. 31.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. REGISTRATION OF TEACHERS FROM OUTSIDE VICTORIA.—The Honorable J. Balfour having asked the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he would lay upon the Table a complete list of teachers from other Australian States or any part of the British Empire who have been registered in Victoria since 1st January, 1910, giving the dates of registration and a full statement of the qualifications on which the registrations were made—
 - The Honorable J. D. Brown laid upon the Table a List of Teachers from other States of Australia, and other parts of the Empire, registered since the 1st January, 1910.
- 3. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day General Business, Nos. 1 and 2, be postponed until Wednesday, 13th November next.
- 5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

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 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 21 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 7. Adjournment The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at five minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - 1. If he will lay on the Table all papers relating to the test trial trip made under Commissioner Tait's administration of the Victorian Railways, in running to a time table with a 25-seconds stop at stations on the Brighton line, which trip was carried out during the period of Mr. Merz's previous visit to Victoria.
 - 2. Did Mr. Merz compile a time table on an electrical basis running; and, if so, how did it compare with the result obtained by the above test.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 4. Factories and Shops Law Consolidation Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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- 7. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 8. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 11. Spirit Merchants' Licences Bill.—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. Dunolly State School Site Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 13. MELBOURNE LANDS EXCHANGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading. (120 copies.)

- 14. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
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- 21. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 3. Conveyancing Act 1904 Further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

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VICTORIA.

No. 32.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.—TIME-TABLE ON ELECTRICAL BASIS.—The Honorable W. J. Evans having asked the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - 1. If he will lay on the Table all papers relating to the test trial trip made under Commissioner Tait's administration of the Victorian Railways, in running to a time-table with a 25-seconds stop at stations on the Brighton line, which trip was carried out during the period of Mr. Merz's previous visit to Victoria.

2. Did Mr. Merz compile a time-table on an electrical basis running; and, if so, how did it compare with the result obtained by the above test.

The Honorable J. D. Brown laid upon the Table a report from the officers of the Railway Department who conducted the test trial trip.

-3. Papers.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Royal Commission on the Geelong Harbor Trust-

Final Report and Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—The Honorable J. D Brown moved, That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until the next day of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until later this day.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. Factories and Shops Acts.—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly, in the following resolution, viz.:—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on—having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

After the word "process" insert the word "or", and omit the words "business, or occupation"

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, and after debate, the Legislative Council did not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

- 6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS LAW CONSOLIDATION BILL .- This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, 12th November next, again resolve itself into the said

Committee.

- 7. Game Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:-Clause 11, omit this clause.
 - On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Legislative Council agreed to the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.
- 8. Scaffolding Inspection Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday, 12th November next, again resolve itself into the said

Committee.

9. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL,-The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
- Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday, 12th November next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 21 inclusive and Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday, 12th
- 11. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 12th November
- And then the Council, at forty-five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 12th November

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Factories and Shops Law Consolidation Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 6. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 9. Spirit Merchants' Licences Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 10. DUNOLLY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 11. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 12. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."—
 Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).
- 14. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of—
 - (a) Preserving meat;
 (b) Preparing food products from animal fat."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D.

Brown). (160 copies.)

15. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-

(a) Making nails;

- (b) Weaving wire netting, or barbed wire;
- (c) Galvanizing."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 16. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 17. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 18. Wonthaggi Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 19. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Custody of Children Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 3. Conveyancing Act 1904 further Amendment Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).— The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

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ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

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VICTORIA.

No. 33.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN FULLER, Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:-

"An Act to amend the Game Acts."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 6th November, 1912.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pounds Act 1890'," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st October, 1912. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message he taken into consideration to-morrow.

-4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to restrict the use of Pea Rifles and Saloon Guns by young persons," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council. FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st October, 1912. Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow. (600 copies.) 7170.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Natimuk and Goroke Railway Construction Act 1893'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 31st October, 1912. Speaker.

- 6. NATIMUK AND GOROKE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Wyndham Race-course," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 8. WYNDHAM RACE-COURSE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. A. Austin, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 9. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1903'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th November, 1912.

the motion of the Honorable

Speaker.

- 10. Local Government Act 1903 further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 11. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Agricultural Colleges Act 1890' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 7th November, 1912.

12. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

13. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Public Service Acts and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 7th November, 1912.

14. Public Service Acts further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter, or cheese," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th November, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, 26th November instant.

16. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Department of State Forests.—Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

Education Acts-

Addition to Regulations.—Regulation XXXIX.—Establishment of Schools for Feeble-minded Children, for the Deaf and Dumb, and for the Blind.

Clauses rescinded and Regulations made.—Regulation X.—Continuation Schools for the Training of Junior Teachers—(c) Details of Subjects—French.—Regulation XI.—Examination and Classification of Teachers.—Regulation XII.—Training College.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notice of Intention to close portion of the Five Mile Creek against all Fishing until 31st August, 1914.

The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement showing the names of all Persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.

17. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

18. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 33.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon. E. J. White: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—What special grants have been made to Public Parks, Reserves and Gardens during the past seven years.

Notices of Motion:-

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- 2. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill relating to the Wyndham Race-course, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

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TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

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VICTORIA.

No. 34.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Additional Day of Business .- The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That, during the remainder of this Session, the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Fridays, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. WYNDHAM RACE-COURSE BILL.—The Honorable A. A. Austin moved, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill relating to the Wyndham Race-course, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. PAPER.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Report of the Council of Judges under Section 33 of the Supreme Court Act 1890. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 5. Custody of Children Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, and had amended the title thereof, which title

"An Act to amend the Law as to the Guardianship and Custody of Infants," the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted

- the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments and with an amended title, and desiring their concurrence therein.
- 6. Alderman Abolition Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been

The Honorable W. J. Evans moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable R. B. Rees moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

And after debate-

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put. (600 copies.) 7170.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 3.

The Hon. A. McLellan.

Tellers.W. J. Evans, H. F. Richardson. Noes, 18.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

J. G. Aikman,

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D. Melville,

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And so it passed in the negative.

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Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment,

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 23 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at fifty-one minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will consider the desirableness of arranging that the Council meet for the despatch of business at four o'clock precisely on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays during the remainder of the Session.

Government Business.

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No. 35.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Developmental Railways Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

- Resolved—That the Council will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 4. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

 House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of a new clause in lieu of clause 13.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment.

(Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

- Ordered—That the Bir, as amended, so primed and since
- 5. Melbourne Lands Exchange Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS LAW CONSOLIDATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

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The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their

concurrence therein.

- 7 Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.
- 8. Spirit Merchants' Licences Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

9. Dunolly State School Site Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered - That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5, 6, 9 and 10, be postponed until after Nos. 11, 12, and 13.
- 11. Pounds Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1 Clause 2, line 11, after "fruit trees" insert "or root crops."

- 2. Clause 3, lines 13-14, after "sixpence" insert "and after the word 'register' there shall be inserted the words '(unless a similar brand is already registered)."
- 3. Clause 4, line 4, omit "fourteen" and insert "twenty-one."
 - line 8, omit "fourteen" and insert "twenty-one."
- 5. , line 18, omit "fourteen" and insert "twenty-one."
- On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, and after debate, the Legislative Council agreed to the several amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.
- 12. PEA RIFLES AND SALOON GUNS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read, and is as follows:—
 - 1. Clause 3, sub-section (4), page 3, paragraph (b), line 1, after "gunsmith" insert "or seller of guns."
 - On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Legislative Council agreed to the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.
- 13. NATIMUK AND GOROKE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5, 6, 9, 10, and 14 to 23 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 15. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at fifty-seven minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. A. O. Sachse: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General for the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 - (1) Is the Government aware of the extent to which the weed termed the "prickly pear" has taken possession of large areas of valuable lands in certain districts of Queensland.
 - (2) Is the Government aware of the rapidity and density of the growth of this weed and the heavily increasing expense in vainly endeavouring to cope with its advance.
 - (3) Is the Government aware that the weed is to be found in quantities in some parts of Victoria.
 - (4) Will the Government take prompt and decisive action towards the eradication of the pest from the affected parts in this State.
- 2. The Hon. E. J. WHITE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—What special grants have been made to Public Parks, Reserves and Gardens during the past seven years.
- 3. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will consider the desirableness of arranging that the Council meet for the despatch of business at four o'clock precisely on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays during the remainder of the Session.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Consideration of Report.
- -3. Public Service Acts further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 4. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 7. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The question is—
 That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."—
 Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).

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9. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Preserving meat;

- (b) Preparing food products from animal fat."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 10. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Making nails;

(b) Weaving wire netting, or barbed wire;

- (c) Galvanizing."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 11. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 12. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 13. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown) Second reading.
- 14. WONTHAGGI LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 15. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 16. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 17. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 18. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter or cheese."—To be taken into consideration—(Hcn. J. D. Brown).

THOS. G. WATSON,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

Address in Reply to Sprech of His Excellency the Governor—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald,
H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) - The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed and July 1912) and D. Malvilla (appointed 5th December 1911)

3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

Elections and Qualifications—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E.

McBryde, and E. Miller.

Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H.

Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamsen, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

Printing—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

> Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6). For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

Charitable Institutions-Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th

November, 1911 (No. 26).
Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System --Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

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Country Roads Bill-[86]. Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McLeod. (To Members only.)

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No. 36.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :-

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 10.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :-

" An Act relating to the Wyndham Race-course."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 16th November, 1912.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. - The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled " An Act to provide for the issue of a Lease of certain Crown Land at Thornbury," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 15th November, 1912.

- 4. THORNBURY LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly: --- .

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Fisheries Act 1890" and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 15th November, 1912.

Ordered - That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow. (600 copies.) **7**170.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Mayor Councillors and Citizens of the City of Richmond to convey and transfer to the King certain Lands vested in them and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 15th November 1912.

Speaker.

- 7. RICHMOND LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 8. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Friendly Societies Act 1890.—Amendment of Regulations.

Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne from 31st July, 1911, to 31st July, 1912; together with four Appendices containing—A—List of Contributions to Literature and Science published by Members of University Staff and Students working in the University Laboratories; B—List of Donations to the Libraries; C—Statement of Accounts for the year 1911; D--Amendment of Statutes and Regulations and New Regulations made during the year.

Training Ships Act 1912.—Regulations.

9. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.

2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at eight minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATS()N, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 36.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing the total amount expended by the State—
 - 1. On the work of widening and improving the River Yarra above Prince's-bridge.

2. On improving the Albert Park Lake.

3. On laying out and planting the reserves on either side of the River Yarra.

4. The amounts contributed by the Municipalities towards such works.

- 5. The amount expended by the State on any works towards improving the Barwon River.
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 - (a) The Professional Division.
 - (b) The Clerical Division.
 - (c) And consequentially or otherwise in the General Division.
 - (2) What is the present annual cost in salaries or wages in the said three Divisions respectively.
 - (3) What is the estimated increase in cost per annum which will be caused directly and consequentially or otherwise in the said three Divisions respectively in each of the ten years required for the proposed classification to come into full effect.

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WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer,
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Education Act 1890.—Addition to Regulations.—Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.

Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners' Sixth Report for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

Water Acts.—Copies of Declarations of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the areas that ought to be constituted the following Waterworks Districts; together with the Plans showing the areas of such proposed Districts:—

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3. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Question.

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No. 38.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly. -The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :---

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Illegal Taking or Use of Vehicles," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th November, 1912.

- 3. VEHICLES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1905'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th November, 1912.

- 5. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

7. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and ninety thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 21st November, 1912.

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- 8. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4.)—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. Developmental Railways Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their

concurrence therein.

10. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their

concurrence therein.

11. Public Service Acts further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence

therein.

- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 13. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Laying Out of Streets Lanes or Passages on Private Property and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 20th November, 1912.

- 14. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. McLellan, for the Honorable W. J. Evans, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 15. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Developmental Railways in Country Districts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 21st Nove

Melbourne, 21st November, 1912.

16. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 38.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing the total amount expended by the State—
 - 1. On the work of widening and improving the River Yarra above Prince's-bridge.
 - 2. On improving the Albert Park Lake.
 - 3. On laying out and planting the reserves on either side of the River Yarra.4. The amounts contributed by the Municipalities towards such works.

 - 5. The amount expended by the State on any works towards improving the Barwon River.

Notice of Motion:-

1. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the state of public business renders it imperative that the Council should meet at Four o'clock on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4)—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Consideration of Report.
- 3. Fruit and Vegetables Packing and Sale Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—. Second reading.
- 4. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-The question is-That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :-"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."—
 Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).
- 7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of-
 - (a) Preserving meat; (b) Preparing food products from animal fat."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D.
- 8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of-
 - (a) Making nails;

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(b) Weaving wire netting, or barbed wire; (c) Galvanizing."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

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- 9. Wonthaggi Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 10. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— To be further considered in Committee.
- 11. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 13. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 14. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter or cheese."-To be taken into consideration-(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 15. RICHMOND LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar) -Second reading.
- 17. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 18. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Assembly to be taken into consideration.
- 20. THORNBURY LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 21. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. J. Evans)-Second reading,

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Vehicles Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council. JNO. M. DAVIES, President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).— The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

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PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

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Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27).

Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. -- Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System --Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

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Exhibition Trustees—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

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Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria. - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

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Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.-Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by

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Observatory — Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

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Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

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Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria - Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46). State Rivers and Water Supply Commission-Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

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Milk and Dairy Supervision Bill-[139]. (To Members of Council only.)

Supply Bill-[156]--and Slip. (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Acts. Application for a Special Board for the Process, Trade, Business, or Occupation of Manufacturing or Preparing for Trade or Sale Milk, Cream, Butter or Cheese. (To Members of Council only.)

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VICTORIA.

No. 39.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
- 2. ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Clerk-Assistant, in the absence of the Clerk, having announced that the Honorable the President was unavoidably absent through a family bereavement, the Honorable A. O. Sachse, on the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during his absence.
- 3. The Acting-President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 4. CLERK OF THE COUNCIL—ABSENCE OF.—The Honorable J. D. Brown having informed the House that the Clerk was unavoidably absent moved, That the Clerk-Assistant do perform the duties of the Clerk of the Council during his absence, and do take the chair at the Table.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the Acting-President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

- "An Act to provide for the Exchange of a certain piece of Land vested for certain purposes in the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne for a certain piece of Land in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is registered as the proprietor of an estate in fee simple and for other purposes."
- "An Act to amend the Law relating to Spirit Merchants' Licences."

 "An Act to enable the Board of Land and Works and the Mayor Councillors and Burgesses of the Borough of Dunolly to transfer a portion of a certain piece of Land vested as a Site for Public Gardens at Dunolly to the Minister of Public Instruction and his Successors and for other nurnoses."

" An Act to amend the 'Natimuk and Goroke Railway Construction Act 1893.'"

Government Offices,

Melbourne, November 16th, 1912.

6. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the Acting President:—

JOHN FULLER,

Message No. 12.

Governor of Victoria.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"An Act to amend the Pounds Act 1890."
"An Act to restrict the use of Pea Rifles and Saloon Guns by young persons."

"An Act relating to Developmental Railways in Country Districts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 25th November, 1912.

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7. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to Consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and Shops," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to the other of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 26th November, 1912.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

Clause 1, line 6, after "of" insert "February."

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Agreed to with the following amendment,
viz.:—Omit "February" and insert
"January."

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Legislative Council agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the basis of the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

- 9. Municipal Rating (Unimproved Value) Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve and to certain unexpended balances under Surplus Revenue Act 1905"," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

Speaker.

- 11. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 12. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

Speaker.

- 13. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 14. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Railway Funds," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

15. RAILWAYS FUNDS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

16. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Act 1910'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

- 17. Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Act 1910 Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 18. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act 1899'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 19. PRAHRAN MECHANICS' INSTITUTE ACT 1899 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 20. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the sale of certain Lands at Geelong and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

21. GEELONG LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

22. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain piece of Land vested as a Site for a Licensed Victuallers' Asylum to transfer the same to the Minister of Public Instruction and his Successors and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melboune, 22nd November, 1912.

- 23. FITZROY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 24. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Ballaarat Free Library and Reading Rooms to raise Money by way of Mortgage to pay off existing Liabilities and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

25. BALLAARAT FREE LIBRARY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

26. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 27. SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL. On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 28. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners certain land and to vest in the King certain other land and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 29. Melbourne Harbor Trust Lands Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 30. Message from the Legislative Assembly, -The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify the members of the Beech Forest and Crowe's Railway Construction Trust for not repaying moneys obtained by Overdraft of Current Account within two years of the constitution of such Trust and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 31. BEECH FOREST AND CROWE'S RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 32. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify the members of the Gheringhap to Maroona Railway Construction Trust for not repaying Moneys obtained by Overdraft of Current Account in certain banks within two years of the constitution of such Trust and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 22nd November, 1912.

- 88. GHERINGHAP TO MAROONA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 34. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk:-

Forests Act 1907.—Copy of proposed Order in Council No. 11, to excise certain areas from the State Forests for the purposes of Settlement, together with Schedule.

Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust .- The Chairman's Fifth Report and Statement of

Accounts for year ended 30th June, 1912.

Summary of Statements for the year 1911 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.

The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890-Part IX.-Statement showing the names, remuneration, duties, &c., of all persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Assembly under the authority of Part IX. of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 during the period from 30th November, 1911, to 14th November, 1912.

Twenty-sixth Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Government Statist for the

year 1911, with an Appendix.

35. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4) .- This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Honorable J. Balfour perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Balfour having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

36. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Report be now adopted.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "That" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words "the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the

whole in respect of clauses 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9, and the First Schedule."

And after debate-

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the following words be added to the proposed amendment, viz., "and New Clause B."

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added -put and resolved in the affirmative. Question-That the words "the Report be now adopted" proposed to be omitted stand part of the

main question—put and negatived.

Question-That the words "the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9, the First Schedule, and New Clause B" proposed to be inserted be so inserted-put.

Noes, 10.

E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar, F. Hagelthorn,

D. E. McBryde, R. B. Rees,

Tellers.

F. W. Brawn.

J. Sternberg.

T. Beggs,

Walter S. Manifold,

The Hon. J. D. Brown,

The Council divided-

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. A. Adamson,

J. G. Aikman, A. A. Austin,

J. Balfour,

W. L. R. Clarke,

W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan, D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

H. F. Richardson,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

W. C. Angliss,

A. Hicks.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The Acting President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Bulfour reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

37. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.

38. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read-

The Honorable T. Beggs moved, as an amendment, that the word "now" be omitted, and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

Debate continued.

Question-That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question-put and resolved

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Balfour reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

39. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business Nos. 3, 4 and 6 to 21, and General Business No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 39.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Bon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing-
 - 1. The amount expended on primary education last year.

2. The amount expended twenty years ago.

3. The population of the State twenty years ago.4. The population of the State now.

- 5. The total amount expended on other branches of State education last year-
 - (a) Secondary schools, including Agricultural High schools.

(b) Technical schools.

6. The total amount contributed to the Government by pupils receiving such education during the same period.

Notice of Motion:—

1. The Hon. A. A. Austin: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the state of public business renders it imperative that the Council should meet at Four o'clock on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. Vehicles Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.
- 3. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W, J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD .- The question is-That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:— "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats."-Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).
- 3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD. Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:-"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of-

(a) Preserving meat; (b) Preparing food products from animal fat."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D.

Brown).

(120 copies.)

- 4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—
 - (a) Making nails;
 - (b) Weaving wire netting, or barbed wire;
 - (c) Galvanizing."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 5. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter or cheese."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 6. Wonthaggi Land Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 7. RICHMOND LAND BILT-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 8. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 10. FRUIT FAND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— Second reading.
- 11. GEELONG LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 12. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown) Second reading.
- 13. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 14. THORNBURY LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 15. FITZROY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 16. Surplus Revenue Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 17. BEECH FOREST AND CROWE'S RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 18. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 19. GHERINGHAP TO MAROONA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 20. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 21. PRAHRAN MECHANICS' INSTITUTE ACT 1899 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 22. BALLAARAT FREE LIBRARY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 23. Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 24. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Assembly to be taken into consideration.
- 25. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 26. Melbourne Harbor Trust Lands Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 27. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 28. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST ACT 1910 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D Brown)—Second reading.
- 29. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 30. Local Government Act 1903 further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 31. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 32. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing the total amount expended by the State—
 - 1. On the work of widening and improving the River Yarra above Prince's-bridge.

2. On improving the Albert Park Lake.

3. On laying out and planting the reserves on either side of the River Yarra.

4. The amounts contributed by the Municipalities towards such works.

5. The amount expended by the State on any works towards improving the Barwon River.

R. W. V. McCALL,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald,
H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

Parliament Buildings (Joint)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education—

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2). From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6). For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Companies Act 1910—Rule 190.—Retain by Protein and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict.,

Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education—Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for

1910-11 (No. 12).
Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under

the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification — Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System—

Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).
Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report

by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. A return showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply (2). Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30). Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55)

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions-Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912-Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges-Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria. - Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory.—Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2). Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (B. No. 8). Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6). Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway—Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (B. No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on .- Minutes

of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).
Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912 (No. 44)

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria -Statements and Returns for the year

ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40). State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46).

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission-Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911-Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7). Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21). Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34).

Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners-Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 38.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 39.

Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of the whole Council. No. 8.

Rating on Unimproved Values Bill—[52]. (To Members of Council only.)

Senate Elections (Times and Places) Bill—[88]. (To Members of Council only.)

Fitzroy State School Site Bill—[89]. (To Members of Council only.)

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill—[104]. (To Members of Council only.)

Gheringhap to Maroona Railway Construction Trust (Indemnity) Bill—[109]. (To Members of Council only.)

Surplus Revenue Bill—[121]. (To Members of Council only.)

Melbourne Land Bill—[122]. (To Members of Council only.)

Prahran Mechanics' Institute Bill—[131]. (To Members of Council only.)

Ballaarat Free Library and Reading Rooms Bill—[133]. (To Members of Council only.)

Geelong Land Bill—[136]. (To Members of Council only.)

Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Bill—[141]. (To Members of Council only.)

Beech Forest and Crowe's Railway Construction Trust (Indemnity) Bill—[144]. (To Members of Council only.)
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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 59, 60, 61, and 62.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 63.

Closer Settlement Bill—[15]. Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Country Roads Bill—[86]. Amendments to be proposed on consideration of Report or after Third Reading by Mr. Swinburne. (To Members only.)

Public Service Bill—[102]. Amendment made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Bendigo Land Bill—[154].

VICTORIA.

No. 40.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer,
- 2. The Honorable Sir Matthew Henry Davies—Decease of.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss which the community has sustained through the death of the Honorable Sir Matthew Henry Davies. As a Member of Parliament, Minister of the Crown, and Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, he was held in esteem by all classes who greatly deplore his decease.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Public Service Acts and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1912.

moved, pursuant to notice. That

4. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING.—The Honorable A. A. Austin moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the state of public business renders it imperative that the Council should meet at Four o'clock on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 5. Sessional Orders.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders be amended as follows, viz.:—That for the remainder of the Session commencing on next Tuesday the House will meet at Four o'clock on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk:—

Copy of proposed Order in Council No. 12 to excise certain areas from the State Forests for the purposes of Settlement, together with Schedule.

- 7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 8. Vehicles Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment,

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(600 copies.)

- 9. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 10. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, and had amended the title thereof, which title is as follows:—
 - "A Bill to provide for the better observance of Sunday and certain other days with regard to public entertainments."

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

11. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Closer Settlement Acts and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to two of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1912. Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 12. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business No. 2, be postponed until later this day.
- 13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Preserving meat;

(b) Preparing food products from animal fat"

having been read,

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 14. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Making nails;

(b) Weaving wire netting, or barbed wire;

(c) Galvanizing"

having been read,

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 15. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business No. 5, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 16. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturer of felt hats" having been read—Debate resumed.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

17. Wonthaggi Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

18. RICHMOND LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 19. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 20. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 9, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 21. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

22. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Country Roads," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1912. Speaker.

- 23 COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 24. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 11 to 32 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at fifty-six minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 40.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Consideration of Report.
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The question is—That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter or cheese."—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 3. Geelong Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 4. Surplus Revenue Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 5. BEECH FOREST AND CROWE'S RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 6. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 7. GHERINGHAP TO MAROONA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 8. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Assembly to be taken into consideration.
- 9. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 10. PRAHRAN MECHANICS' INSTITUTE ACT 1899 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 11. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST LANDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. BALLAARAT FREE LIBRARY BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 13. Wonthaggi Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 14. Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 15. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST ACT 1910 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon, J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 16. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 17. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Consideration of Report.
- 18. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
- 19. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 20. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.

(120 copies.)

- 21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 22. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 23. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 24. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 25. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 26. THORNBURY LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 27. FITZROY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 28. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing the total amount expended by the State—
 - 1. On the work of widening and improving the River Yarra above Prince's-bridge.

2. On improving the Albert Park Lake.

3. On laying out and planting the reserves on either side of the River Yarra.

4. The amounts contributed by the Municipalities towards such works.

5. The amount expended by the State on any works towards improving the Barwon River.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. COUNTRY ROADS BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading,
- 2. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).

R. W. V. McCALL,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald,
H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Joint)—The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed

3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

Elections and Qualifications—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E.

McBryde, and E. Miller.

Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G.

Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

> Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911 .- Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. -- Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37). Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for

1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System-Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson,

C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies-Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30).

Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41). Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the—

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55).

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911 (No, 29),

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912-Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges-Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35). Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria .-- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines-Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.-Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory -Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4). Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan

(Report No. 3). Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2). Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (B. No. 8).

Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway—Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (B. No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of-Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs—Royal Commission on.—Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912 (No. 44).

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46). State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45). Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911—

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7). Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21).

Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34).
Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners—Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 27TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 40.

Closer Settlement Bill—[15]. Amendments made by the Legislative Council—how dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
Country Roads Bill—[86]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 64.

Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 11.

Workers' Compensation Bill—[37]. Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Murray. (To Members only.)

Department of State Forests. Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912. No. 43.

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No. 41.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Adjournment.—The Honorable R. B. Rees moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of a statement made by him to the House on the Agent-General's Office; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put, and, after debate, negatived.
- 3. V.T.S. John Murray.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave—

That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report from the Committee of Management of the V.T.S. John Murray for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

- 4. PAPER.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented—
 - Report from the Committee of Management of the V.T.S. John Murray.—Return to the foregoing Order.
- 5. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk:—-

Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations—

Classification of General Division-

Department of Treasurer—Government Printing Office.

Classification of Professional Division—

- Department of Public Instruction.
- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until later this day.
- 7. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

7170.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Municipal Endowment," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1912.

8. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

(600 copies.)

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Victorian Government Stock Act 1896' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Speaker.

Melbourne, 27th November, 1912.

- 10. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed. and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Alexandra Park Act 1904'," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Speaker.

Melbourne, 27th November, 1912.

- 12. ALEXANDRA PARK ACT 1904 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn. the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 14. GEELONG LAND BILL .- The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to provide for the Sale of certain Lands at Geelong and for other purposes, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time,

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed. Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

15. Surplus Revenue Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered - That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

16. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the issue of Victorian Government Debentures and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1912.

- 17. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 18. BEECH FOREST AND CROWE'S RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill r ad a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

19. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Report be now adopted.

The Honorable E. Miller moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "That" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof "the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2, 3, 4, and the Schedule."

Question -That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question-put and negatived.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2, 3, 4,

and the Schedule-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, A. A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, W. J. Evans, Walter S. Manifold, A. McLellan, D. Melville, E. Miller.

Tellers.

H F. Richardson, A. Robinson.

Noes, 9.

The Hon, W. C. Angliss, J. D. Brown, W. L. R. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, F. Hagelthorn, R. B. Rees, J. Sternberg.

> Tellers.J. G. Aikman, J. McWhae.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

20. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 1, 3, and 11.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their

concurrence therein.

21. GHERINGHAP TO MAROONA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION TRUST INDEMNITY BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered - That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

- 22. FISHERIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow :--
 - 1. Clause 2, at the beginning of the clause omit "(1)."
 - 2. , page 2, paragraph (d), omit this paragraph.

 3. Clause 22, line 36, omit "hut."

4. Clause 24, sub-section (3), line 18, omit "Twenty" and insert "Ten." 5. Clause 25, line 21, omit "for such purpose."

- On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Council agreed to the several amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.
- 23. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the a third time and passed.

Bill without amendment.

24. PRAHRAN MECHANICS' INSTITUTE ACT 1899 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to amend the *Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act* 1899, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed

to the Bill without amendment.

25. Melbourne Harbor Trust Lands Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed

to the Bill without amendment.

26. Ballaarat Free Library Bill.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to enable the Trustees of the Ballaarat Free Library and Reading Rooms to raise Money by way of Mortgage to pay off existing Liabilities and for other purposes, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and the Bill read a third ime and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

- 27. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 13 and 14 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 28. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST ACT 1910 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to amend the *Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Act* 1910, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

- 29. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 16 to 24 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 30. Municipal Rating (Unimproved Value) Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 31. THORNBURY LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without umendment.

32. FITZROY STATE SCHOOL SITE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 33. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No 28 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 34. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

R. W. V. McCALL,

Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 41.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1912.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay upon the Table of the House a Return showing the total amount expended by the State—
 - 1. On the work of widening and improving the River Yarra above Prince's-bridge.

2. On improving the Albert Park Lake.

- 3. On laying out and planting the reserves on either side of the River Yarra.
- 4. The amounts contributed by the Municipalities towards such works.
- 5. The amount expended by the State on any works towards improving the Barwon River.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The question is—That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter or cheese."—Resumption of debate—(Hon, Walter S. Manifold).
- 2. Wonthaggi Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Consideration of Report.
- 6. COUNTRY ROADS BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 7. Municipal Endowment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 8. Closer Settlement Bill—Amendments of the Council disagreed with by the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
- 9. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

- 10. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 11. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 12. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 13. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 14. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 15. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 16. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 17. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 18. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 20. ALEXANDRA PARK ACT 1904 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading,
- 2. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).

R. W. V. McCALL,

JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

1'ARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)— The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

I. IBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamsen, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

Printing—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

> Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27).

Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and

Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute .- Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System-Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (Č. No. 4).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30).

Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55).

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911 (No. 29),

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912-Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges-Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35). Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912

Marine Board of Victoria .--- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department,-Report of the Secretary and

Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by

T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory -Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Reports— Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of (Report No. 3).

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (B. No. 8).

Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (B. No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on .- Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Railways-Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912 (No. 44).

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year-

ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46). State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911-

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7). Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21). Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34).

Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners-Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 39 and 40.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 41.

Theatres Bill—[26].

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—[59]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Endowment Bill—[64]. (To Members of Council only.)

Alexandra Park Bill—[83]. (To Members of Council only.)

Victorian Government Stack Bill—[150]. (To Members of Council only.)

Victorian Government Stock Bill—[152]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 65.

Report on the proposed Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways. Railway; together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. Report No. 11.

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No. 42.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:-

- "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and ninety thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twelve and One thousand nine hundred and thirteen."
- "An Act to further amend the Public Service Acts and for other purposes."

"An Act relating to the Illegal Taking or Use of Vehicles."

"An Act to enable the Mayor Councillors and Citizens of the City of Richmond to convey and transfer to the King certain lands vested in them and for other purposes."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 2nd December, 1912.

3. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907 (Section 22, sub-sec. 6)-Annual Report of the Indeterminate Sentences Board for the year ended 30th June, 1912.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk :-

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th June,

4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :-- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in a factory in the process, trade, business, or occupation of manufacturing or preparing for trade or sale milk, cream, butter, or cheese," having been read-

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 5. Wonthaggi Land Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their

concurrence therein.

(600 copies.)

6. Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903 Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered -That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

7. AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered -That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Law relating to State School Teachers," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 28th November, 1912. Speaker.

- 9. Teachers Law further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, for the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Abolition of Annual Payments in connexion with certain Lines of Railway and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 28th November, 1912. Speaker.

- 11. RAILWAY DEFICIENCY RATE ABOLITION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 12. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Mellourne, 28th November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 13. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 14. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 28th November, 1912.

15. Land Tax Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

16. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and to amend the Income Tax Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

- 17. INCOME TAX BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 18. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Tallangutta to Cudgewa," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

- 19. TALLANGATTA TO CUDGEWA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL. -On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 20. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly: -

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Cocoroc and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 21. COCOROC LAND SALE BILL .-- On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time
- 22. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Sale of a portion of a certain piece of Land reserved as a Site for a Temperance Hall at Castlemaine and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melboune, 29th November, 1912.

Speaker.

23. CASTLEMAINE TEMPERANCE HALL BILL.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to provide for the Sale of a portion of a certain piece of Land reserved as a Site for a Temperance Hall at Castlemaine and for other purposes, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

24. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act for the Relief of Persons whose Relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Clause 7, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph 11., line 16, after "his" insert "or her."

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Legislative Council agreed to the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

25. Message from the Legislative Assembly. - The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the City of Bendigo," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN. Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

- 26. Bendigo Land Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 27. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Police Offences," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th November, 1912.

Speaker.

- 28. POLICE OFFENCES LAW CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL .- On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 29. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Order of the Day be discharged, and the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3, 4, 6, and 9.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar, F. Hagelthorn,

W. Little, Walter S. Manifold,

J. McWhae,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson,

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

J. Balfour,

W. L. R. Clarke, W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne.

H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

A. McLellan.

A. Robinson,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their con-

currence therein.

30. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read— The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Debate on the main question continued.

The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

31. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at fifty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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No. 42.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1912.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL—(fron Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading,
- 2. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to No Liability Mining Companies.

ORDERS OF THE DAY .--

- 1. COUNTRY ROADS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. J. Sternberg).
- 2. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)
 —Second reading.
- 3. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. TALLANGATTA TO CUDGEWA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 5. Teachers Law further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
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- 26. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).

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No. 43.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk:—

Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890.—Statement of Accounts for the year 1911.

3. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A.O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their

concurrence therein.

4. MILK AND DAIRY SUPERVISION ACT 1905 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 5. No Liability Mining Companies Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, a Bill to amend the Law relating to No Liability Mining Companies was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
- On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 17, 18, 21, and 66, and the Second Schedule.

House in Committee.

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a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.

7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 26 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at fifty-five minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hom. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 2. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 3. LAND TAX BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 4. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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- 6. TEACHERS LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon, F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- 7. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
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- 17. POLICE OFFENCES LAW CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 18. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
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- 19. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-To be further considered in Committee.
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- 25. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

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No. 44.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer,
- 2. DEATH OF THE CLERK.—Intelligence of the death, this day, of Thomas Greenlees Watson, Clerk of the Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative Council, having been communicated to the House, the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Attorney-General, moved—That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss it has sustained through the death of its Clerk, Thomas Greenlees Watson, C.M.G., and its high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by him as an Officer of Parliament.

And other Honorable Members having addressed the House in support of the motion—The President said—

In putting the motion, I desire to say a few words to express my appreciation of Mr. Watson as a capable, earnest, and zealous Clerk. The greater part of his public life was spent in the Legislative Assembly, in which place he did a great deal of hard work as Secretary of the Railways Standing Committee and as Clerk of that House. It was that arduous work that helped, I think, to sap the foundation of his health. He came to this House with some fear and trembling, as Mr. Edgar has said, and he frequently expressed to me his great joy and satisfaction at the kindness shown to him by honorable members here. He was a most painstaking and zealous officer. He took a great pride in the Legislative Council, and was proud of his position as its Clerk. I am sure we all greatly deplore his loss, and we sympathize with his widow in her affliction.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3 ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, as a mark of respect to the memory of the Clerk of the House—That the House do now adjourn until a quarter to six o'clock.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. M SSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to approve and ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement for the Construction and Working of certain Border Railways and purposes incidental thereto (including the Construction of a Railway from Heywood to Mumbannar) entered into between the Governments of the States of Victoria and South Australia," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 4th December, 1912.

- 5. South Australian Border Railways Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Leasing and Sale of Crown Lands in the Township of Wonthaggi and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to the others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Speaker.

Melbourne, 5th December, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.

7. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

8. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered - That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

9. Land Tax Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the

Bill without amendment.

10. Income Tax Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill:—

Clause 4, add the following new paragraph-

"Where at the date of the commencement of this Act no assessment has been made of the income derived as aforesaid of any taxpayer no tax shall be levied in respect of any such income."

Insert the following new clause-

A. From and after the commencement of this Act there shall be deemed to be inserted in section nine sub-section (1) of the *Income Tax Act* 1895, after the words "this Act," "and all land tax payable by him under any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia in respect of land owned by the taxpayer in Victoria,"

and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Report was adopted.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Legislative Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.

11. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

- 12. Teachers Law further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 13. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 14. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 8 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 15. ALEXANDRA PARK ACT 1904 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

16. COCOROC LAND SALE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 17. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 18. CASTLEMAINE TEMPERANCE HALL BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 19. RAILWAY DEFICIENCY RATE ABOLITION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

- 20. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 14 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after No. 17.
- 21. Police Offences Law Consolidation and Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence

therein.

- 22. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 14, 15, 16 and 18 to 25 inclusive, and Wonthaggi Land Bill—Consideration of Message from the Assembly, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 23. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
- And then the Council, at fifty-eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

R. W. V. McCALL,

Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 44.

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. TEACHERS LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. A. O. Sachse).
- 2. ALEXANDRA PARK ACT 1904 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Consideration of Report.
- -3. Bendigo Land Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 4. TALLANGATTA TO CUDGEWA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 5. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).
- 6. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. J. Balfour).
- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
- 8. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 11. Scappolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 13. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 114. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 16. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).
 - * Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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- 17. South Australian Border Railways Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 18. Wonthaggi Land Bill-Amendments of the Council agreed to by the Assembly With-AMENDMENTS—To be taken into consideration.
- 19. No Liability Mining Companies Bill—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).— The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) -- The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed) 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)-(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott.

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Refreshment Rooms (Joint)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans,

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> Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

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Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. - Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict.,

Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37). Education—Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification — Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System-Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

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Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

Finance, 1911-12 - Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1912; with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General (A. No. 1).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson. C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30). Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41). Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

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Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

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Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

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Land Act 1901—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria .-- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

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Observatory —Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government

Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

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Income Tax Bill—[118]. Suggested Amendments by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Oddfellows' Alms-houses Bill—[145]. Carlton High School Site Bill—[165].

Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Toutcher. (To Members only.)

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No. 45.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDING

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TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER, 1912.

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- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :-

JOHN FULLER,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :-

An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands at Geelong and for other purposes."

- "An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve and to certain unexpended balances under 'Surplus Revenue Act 1905."
- '' An Act to Indemnify the members of the Beech Forest and Crowe's Railway Construction Trust for not repaying Moneys obtained by Overdraft of Current Account within two years of the constitution of such Trust and for other purposes.
- "An Act to Indemnify the members of the Gheringhap to Maroona Railway Construction Trust for not repaying Moneys obtained by Overdraft of Current Account in certain banks within two years of the constitution of such Trust and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act 1890' and for other purposes."

"An Act to further amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts."

- "An Act to amend the 'Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act 1899."

 "An Act to vest in the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners certain land and to vest in the King certain other land and for other purposes."
- "An Act to enable the Trustees of the Ballaarat Free Library and Reading Rooms to raise Money by way of Mortgage to pay off existing Liabilities and for other purposes.'

"An Act to amend the 'Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Act 1910."

- "An Act to provide for the Issue of a Lease of certain Črown Land at Thornbury."
- "An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain piece of Land vested as a Site for a Licensed Victuallers' Asylum to transfer the same to the Minister of Public Instruction and his Successors and for other purposes." "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and

Shops."

"An Act to further amend the 'Agricultural Colleges Act 1890' and for other purposes." "An Act for the Relief of Persons whose Relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the 'Senate Elections (Times and Places) Act 1903."

"An Act to amend the 'Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1905."

State Government House,

Melbourne, 7th December, 1912,

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Acting-Clerk:—

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notice of Intention to prohibit Fishing in Upper Eurobin or Long Plain Creek, and to regulate Fishing in Lake Catani, at Mount Buffalo.

Licensing Acts Nos. 1111 and 2376.—Prescribed Forms as to the Issue of Spirit Merchants' Licences.

4. Teachers Law further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to

the Bill without amendment.

5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land at Tallangatta and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th December, 1912.

6. TALLANGATTA LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the

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The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Country Roads," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th December, 1912.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Swan Hill to Piangil," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 6th December, 1912.

- 9. Swan HILL TO PIANGIL RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to morrow.
- 10. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Chillingollah to Manangatang," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,
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Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 6th December, 1912.

Speaker.

11. CHILLINGOLLAH TO MANANGATANG RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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12 MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled " An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Sea Lake towards Pier-Millan, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

.. H 41 Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 6th December, 1912. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 13. SEA LAKE TO PIER-MILLAN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL .- On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 14. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:and but all of

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Trustees of certain Land granted for Alms-houses to Borrow Money and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 6th December, 1912. FRANK MADDEN,

- 15. Oddfellows' Alms-houses Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time
- 16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Health Acts with regard to Vaccination Certificates," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment. 2000

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 6th December, 1912. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,' and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council of the Legislative Council.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

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Melbourne, 6th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

18. ALEXANDRA PARK ACT 1904 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their

19. Bendigo Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

20. TALLANGATTA TO CUDGEWA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A.O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time

Ordered-That the Legislative Assembly be informed that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

21. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read-Debate resumed.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Noes, 13.	
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,	
J. Balfour.	
T. Beggs,	
E. J. Crooke,	•
Walter S. Manifold,	
D. Melville,	
E. Miller,	
J. Sternberg.	
Tellers .	
J. G. Aikman.	
A. A. Austin.	
	W. A. Adamson, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, E. J. Crooke, Walter S. Manifold, J. McWhae, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg. Tellers. J. G. Aikman,

:: And so it passed in the negative.

22. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this ill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question-put.

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The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, A. A. Austiu, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, W. L. R. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, Walter S. Manifold, A. McLellan, R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

E. J. Crooke,

H. F. Richardson.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss, J. Balfour,

T. Beggs, E. Miller, T. H. Payne. . . [

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W. A. Adamson, J. McWhae.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

23. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at three minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Acting-Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

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- 1. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown) To be further considered in Committee.
 - 2. TALLANGATTA LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 3. SWAN HILL TO PIANGIL RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
- 4. CHILLINGOLLAH TO MANANGATANG RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 5. SEA LAKE TO PIER-MILLAN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 6. Wonthaggi Land Bill—Amendments of the Council agreed to by the Assembly with Amendments—To be taken into consideration.
- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
- 8. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. Oddfellows' Alms-houses Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 10. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Amendments of the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
- 11. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. South Australian Border Railways Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 13. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).
- 14. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 15. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 16. Petroleum Bill-(Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading.
 - * Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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- 17. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 18. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 20. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar) -Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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JNO. M. DAVIES, President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) -- The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed

3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

> Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2) From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

For the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 59).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27).

Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).
Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. -- Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12). Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under

the, for the year 1911 (No. 15). Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System --

Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2). Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report

by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3). Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1). Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

Finance, 1911-12-Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1912; with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General (A. No. 1).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30). Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust .- Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55).

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions-Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911

Inter-State-Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges-Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory -Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Reports—

Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. (Report No. 10).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Ranway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 8) Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6). Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on

the (Report No. 1). Rainbow to Nypo Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference

(Report No. 12). Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of

Reference (Report No 9). Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on .- Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Railways-Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th

June, 1912 (No. 44). Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 11).

State Coal Mines .- Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46).

State Forests-Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 43). State Rivers and Water Supply Commission-Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910-Part X.-Interchange (No. 1). Statistical Register for 1911—

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7).

Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21).

Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34).

Part V.—Social Condition (No. 38)

Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners-Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Trade Unions—Twenty-sixth Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, with an Appendix (No. 56).

University of Melbourne-Report of the Proceedings from 31st July, 1911, to 31st July. 1912; together with four Appendices (No. 47).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 6TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 44.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 45.

Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of the whole Council. No. 10.

Supreme Court Bill—[30]. (To Members of Council only.)

Legitimation of Children Bill—[100]. Amendment and New Schedule to be proposed by the Hon.

Walter S. Manifold. (To Members of Council only.)

Oddfellows' Alms-houses Bill—[145]. (To Members of Council only.)
Tallangatta Land Bill—[157]. (To Members of Council only.)
Swan Hill to Piangil Railway Construction Bill. (To Members of Council only.)

Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway Construction Bill—[167]. (To Members of Council only.) Sea Lake towards Pier-Millan Railway Construction Bill—[168]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 67, 68, 69, 70, and 71.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 71.

Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 13.

Workers' Compensation Bill-[37]. Amendments to be proposed on consideration of Report or after-Third Reading by Mr. Sangster. (To Members only.)

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No. 46.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. D. Brown, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :-

JOHN FULLER, Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the

- "An Act to amend the 'Victorian Government Stock Act 1896' and for other purposes."
- "An Act to regulate the issue of Victorian Government Debentures and for other purposes."

 "An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and for other purposes."
- "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts."
- "An Act relating to Municipal Endowment."
- "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the parish of Cocoroc and for other purposes.
- "An Act to provide for the Sale of a portion of a certain piece of Land reserved as a Site for a Temperance Hall at Castlemaine and for other purposes.'
- "An Act to provide for the Abolition of Annual Payments in connexion with certain Lines of Railway and for other purposes.'

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

3. CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. - APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT WILLIAM VICTOR McCall, Esq. -

The President said :-

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I have to announce to the Council that by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 I have nominated Robert William Victor McCall for the office of Clerk of the Legislative Council, and His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to confirm that nomination. I am sure this will be gratifying to honorable members. From my long experience of Mr. McCall I feel certain that he will make a very capable and efficient Clerk of the Legislative Council.

(600 copies.)

4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council the accompanying communication from the Acting-Clerk of the Parliaments, calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Country Roads," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed that such error be corrected by the insertion of the words "horse power" after the word and figures "Exceeding 33" in the Second Schedule, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

Speaker.

State Parliament House, Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

SIR,

I do myself the honour to report, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order, No. 21, that the following clerical error has been discovered in the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Country Roads" —

In the Second Schedule the words "horse power" have been omitted after the word and figures "Exceeding 33."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. H. NEWTON, Acting-Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Honorable the Speaker, &c., &c.

- On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Legislative Council concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the correction of the clerical error discovered in the Country Roads Bill, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.
- 5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Health Acts.—Regulation fixing Rates for Payment of Public Analysts for Analyses under the Health Acts.

Land Acts.—Regulations amended, Schedule substituted, under the.

6. LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 7. TALLANGATTA LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessian, or cotton bags," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

- 9. Swan Hill to Piangil Railway Construction Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

- 10. CHILLINGOLLAH TO MANANGATANG RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 11. SEA LAKE TO PIER-MILLAN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered -- That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

12. Wonthaggi Land Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and agreed to by the Assembly with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Clause 7, sub-clause (7), page 4, line 21, after "land" insert "as are not inconsistent with the provisions of the surrendered-lease."

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "lease" and insert "licence."

Clause 8, sub-clause (7), line 43, after "land" insert "as are not inconsistent with the provisions of the surrendered lease."

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "lease" and insert "agreement."

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, and after debate, the Council agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council in this Bill.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

13. Closer Settlement Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council,

1. Clause 7, omit this clause.

2. Clause 15, omit this clause.

3 Clause 16, omit this clause.

4. Clause 17, omit this clause.

Insert the following New Clauses :-

5. New clause to follow clause 17:-

F. Sub-section (1) of section twenty-eight of Act No. 2229 is hereby repealed and the following sub-section is hereby substituted therefor:—

(1) The value of any land acquired by compulsory value of land process shall be assessed at the sum which the land if unencumbered by any lease mortgage or other charge thereon might be expected to realize at the date on which the offer was made, if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bonâ fide seller might in ordinary circumstances be expected to require. Provided that the capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining is the value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown.

6. G. In sub-section (1) of section thirty one of the Amendment of No. 2229 s. 31.

*Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) omit "sixty" and insert "thirty."

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with.
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Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "Act No. 2229," line 1, and insert "The Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2)."

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.—Omit the words "omit 'sixty' and insert 'thirty,'" and insert the words "for the word 'sixty' there shall be substituted the word 'thirty.'"

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

- K. (1) For sub-section (1) of section twenty-five Amendment of No. 1962 8.25. of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be substituted the following sub-section:-
 - "(1) At any time within fifteen days if the owner is in the Commonwealth of Australia or within one hundred and twenty days in any other case, after the service on him of a copy of the notification declaring that any land has been acquired under this Act, the owner of an estate in possession the whole or any part of which is proposed to be taken compulsorily shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Closer Settlement Acts, on giving to the Board a written claim, have the right to select and retain out of the estate for the purposes of residence or business, land the unimproved value of which does not exceed Six thousand pounds unless the Judge by whom the claim for compensation is fixed or to whom is referred any dispute as to the total unimproved value of land which may be retained by the owner as herein provided, determines (and the Judge is hereby given power to so determine at the time of fixing the compensation or of such reference as aforesaid) a larger sum than Six thousand pounds but not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds-
 - (a) For the purpose of allowing the owner to retain a reasonable area of land around the homestead in any case where the unimproved value of the land sought to be retained is high, or where the value of the improvements is great, the Judge, in determining the total value of land which may be so retained by the owner of the estate, shall have regard to the unimproved value per acre of the land and to the value of the improvements thereon:
 - (b) For the purposes of this section the words 'unimproved value' mean the sum which the owner's estate or interest therein, if unencumbered by any mortgage or other charge thereon, might in ordinary circumstances be expected to realize at the time of valuation if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bond fide seller might be expected to require and assuming that the improvements (if any) had not been made provided that the unimproved capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining, is the unimproved value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown:
 - (c) The land so to be selected and retained shall be land situate around the homestead (if any) and shall be in such form and shape as will conform with the survey regulations under the Land Act 1901."
 - (2) In sub-section (3) of the said section twenty-five for the words "Ten thousand pounds in" there shall be substituted the words "Twenty thousand pounds in unimproved."
- N. (1) The provisions of section sixty-nine of the Provision of Principal Act as amended by this Act shall not apply to any No. 1962 not to Crown grants to be issued in respect of conditional purchase applied for before the commencement of this Act. Save issued in respect of as aforesaid every such Crown grant shall be subject conditional nevertheless to the Closer Settlement Acts and to the purchase leases applied for covenants conditions reservations and exceptions which at the date of the commencement of this Act are contained in Crown of this Act. grants of agricultural allotments selected from the Crown under the Land Act 1901.

2) Every statement circular advertisement or notice Giving publicity by or with the consent or sanction of the Board to residence conditions. issued by or with the consent or sanction of the Board inviting either directly or by implication applications for allotments available under conditional purchase lease and as to which the provisions of section sixty-nine of the Principal Act as amended Disagreed with. by this Act apply and every application for any such conditional and every such conditional purchase purchase lease contain in a type (except in any advertisement in a registered newspaper) larger than that used in the other parts of the document a statement to the effect that the Crown grant of the allotment to be comprised or comprised in the conditional purchase lease will be subject to a condition rendering the Crown grant liable to be revoked and the allotment liable to forfeiture to the Crown and the Crown grantee or owner for the time being liable to be dispossessed of any estate or interest in the allotment without compensation unless the Crown grantee or owner for the time being of such allotment shall personally by himself or some member of his family or some person approved by the Governor in Council reside on such allotment or on some portion of the estate of which such allotment forms a portion or on any land adjacent thereto for a period of eight months during each and every year.

-Disagreed with

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 1.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

14. RAILWAY FUNDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them

that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

15. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Alexandra Park Act 1904."

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

- 16. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 and 11 be postponed until to-morrow.
- 17. South Australian Border Railways Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

18. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Police Offences."

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

19. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

And after debate-

Motion—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on the main question continued.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate—

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Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

- 20 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 14 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 21. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council. .

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 46.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1912.

«Government Business.

Notice of Motion:-

1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That Charles Hesterman Merz, Esquire, be summoned to the Bar of this honorable House to answer such questions as may be asked him in reference to the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. ODDFELLOWS' ALMS-HOUSES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 2. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Amendments of the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
- ...3. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)-Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
- 4. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY —To be further considered.
- 8. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. PETROLEUM BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 10. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 11. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar) -Second reading.

«General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To move, That Standing Order No. 127 be suspended with reference to the debate on the question of the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System. (120 copies.)

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz :- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessian, or cotton bags."-To be taken into consideration-(Hon. W. H. Edgar).

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council. JNO. M. DAVIES, President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) - The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamsen, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.

PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

> Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2).

From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32). Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

For the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 59).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th-

November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education-Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System-Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3). Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power

(C. No. 4).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives-Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1). Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops .- Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st

December, 1911 (No. 13).

Finance, 1911-12 -Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1912; with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General (A. No. 1). First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson,

C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30).

Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust .- Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55).

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911 (No, 29).

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges—Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th Jane, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Sceretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Re ormatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by

T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory — Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. (Report No. 10).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Ranway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 8).

Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Rainbow to Nypo Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 12).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway_ and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on.—Minutes

of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16). Railways-Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912 (No. 44).

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 11).

State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46).

State Forests-Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 43).

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911-

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7).

Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21).

Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34).

Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners—Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Trade Unions—Twenty-sixth Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, with an Appendix (No. 56).

University of Melbourne—Report of the Proceedings from 31st July, 1911, to 31st July, 1912; together with four Appendices (No. 47).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 46.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 72. Victorian Loan Bill—[149].

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No. 47.

MINUTES OF THE **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved pursuant to notice, That Charles Hesterman Merz, Esquire, be summoned to the Bar of this honorable House to answer such questions as may be asked him in reference to the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the following words be inserted after the word "Esquire," "and Messrs. E. B. Jones, H. R. Harper, F. W. Clements, and A. D. Murdoch."

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. The Honorable R. B. Rees moved, as a further amendment, That the following words be added to the motion as amended, " and that the following Message be sent to the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, viz. : -

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council request that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to the Honorable John Emanuel Mackey, a member of the Legislative Assembly, to attend, if he think fit, to be examined as a witness, and give evidence before the Legislative Council this day.

JNO. M. DAVIES, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1912.

Question—The Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System."

Question-That the words proposed to be added be so added-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That Charles Hesterman Merz, Esquire, and Messrs. E. B. Jones, H. R. Harper, F. W. Clements, and A. D. Murdoch be summoned to the Bar of this honorable House to answer such questions as may be asked them in reference to the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System, and that the following Message be sent to the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, viz.:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council request that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to the Honorable John Emanuel Mackey, a Member of the Legislative Assembly, to attend, if he think fit, to be examined as a witness, and give evidence before the Legislative Council this day.

JNO. M. DAVIES, .

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1912.

Question-The Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System-

put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the witnesses, viz.:—Messrs. C. H. Merz, E. B. Jones, H. R. Harper, F. W. Clements, and A. D. Murdoch, be summoned to attend the Council at a quarter to eight o'clock this day.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the following words "except Messrs. E. B. Jones, H. R. Harper, F. W. Clements, and A. D. Murdoch, who shall be summoned to attend on Tuesday next," be added to the motion.

And after debate-

Proposed amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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3. Message from the Legislative Assembly. - The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

Speaker.

- 4. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and to amend the Income Tax Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly having considered the Message of the Legislative Council suggesting on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, that this House make certain amendments in such Bill, have decided not to make one of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council and have made the other of the suggested amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.

6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890' and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1912.

Speaker.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Income Tax Bill.

7. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. D. Brown presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Forty-eighth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Thirty-fourth annual Report on Friendly Societies—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, to which are appended Monetary and other Tables, based on the Victorian Friendly Societies' experience 1903-07. Valuations of Societies, Numercial and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.

- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business Nos. 1 to 12 inclusive, be postponed until after Notice of Motion, General Business.
- 9. Suspension of Standing Order.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, pursuant to notice, That Standing Order No. 127 be suspended with reference to the debate on the question of the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 10. Oddfellows' Alms-Houses Bill.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Bill to empower the Trustees of certain Land granted for Alms-Houses to Borrow Money and for other purposes, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committe of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them

that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

11. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

Insert the following new clauses:-

- A. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act of the Parliament of Victoria or any Rules made in pursuance of any such Act the Supreme Court consisting of three Judges of whom the Chief Justice shall be one may where under special circumstances it shall in its absolute discretion see fit so to do with reference to any person who shall within one year after the passing of this Act satisfy the said Court that he has before the commencement of this Act served for ten years in Victoria as a managing clerk to some practising barrister and solicitor or barristers and solicitors and has been for such period of ten years bona fide engaged under his or their direction and supervision in the transaction and management of such matters of business as are usually transacted by barristers and solicitors order that such person shall upon passing the examination hereinafter provided for be entitled to admission to practise as a barrister and solicitor for the Supreme Court without entering into or serving under articles of clerkship and without passing any examination or examinations other than such examination as aforesaid but subject nevertheless to the compliance in all other respects by such person with the Rules for the time being in force in relation to the admission of barristers and solicitors.
- B. Any person who shall obtain an order under the provisions of the last preceding section hereof must before he apply for admission to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court submit to be examined by the Board of Examiners of the Supreme Court and must pass in six at least of the following subjects:-

(1) Conveyancing and special legislation affecting it in Victoria.

(2) Special legislation affecting the law of contracts and torts in Victoria.

(3) Divorce law.

(4) Probate practice and special legislation affecting the administration of estates in Victoria.

(5) Insolvency law.

(6) Criminal law.(7) Practice of the Supreme Court in its civil jurisdiction.

(8) Practice of the County Court and before justices.

Such examination may be passed in such six subjects at least at any one examination or at more than one examination but so that the person examined shall pass in at least two of the said subjects at any one examination. And such examination or examinations shall be held at such times and on payment of such fees as the Judges of the Supreme Court or a majority of them may from time to time prescribe or direct under Rules to be made by them from time to time which Rules the said Judges or a majority of them are hereby authorized and empowered to make.

C. In section eighty-four of the Supreme Court Act 1890 the words "twenty years" wherever occurring shall be omitted and in the place thereof in each case the following words shall be inserted :- "fifteen years, or in the case of an action for arrears of rent or interest six years."

Amendment of section 84 of the Supreme Court Act 1890.

See Real Property Act 1907 s. 4.

In the same section the words "on account of the principal or interest due thereon "shall be omitted.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to amendments 1 and 2.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, as an amendment, That the words "the Council of Legal Education shall have power from time to time to make and alter rules whereby any person who shall satisfy" be inserted after the word "Act" in line 2 of amendment 1. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, T. Beggs. W. L. R. Clarke, A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold, E. Miller.

> Tellers. T. H. Payne, A. Robinson.

Noes, 15. The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

W. C. Angliss, A. A. Austin, J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans,

D. E. McBryde, A. McLellan, D. Melville, R. B. Rees, A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg, E. J. White.

Tellers. F. Hagelthorn, H. F. Richardson

And so it passed in the negative. The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.

12. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have given leave to the Honorable John Emanuel Mackey, the Member for Gippsland West, to attend, if he think tit, to be examined as a witness, and give evidence before the Legislative Council, on the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th December, 1912.

13. Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Hansard reporters be accommodated with a seat at the table in order that they may be enabled to hear and report the evidence, and that the witnesses be permitted to sit at the table while giving such evidence.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the evidence taken at the Bar relating to the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be printed in *Hansard*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable John Emanuel Mackey being introduced-

The President said—Mr. Mackey is now present, and he is open to be asked questions by honorable Members.

The Honorable J. E. Mackey was examined.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the examination be adjourned until to-morrow.

Debate ensued

The Honorable J. G. Aikman moved, as an amendment, That the word "to-morrow" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Tuesday next."

And after debate-

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the examination be adjourned until to-morrow.

14. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 12th December, 1912.

- 15. Victorian Loan Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 16. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive, and Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill-Amendments of the Council disagreed with by the Assembly—To be taken into consideration, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council. at fifty-four minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 47.

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—Further examination of witnesses at the Bar of the House.
- 2. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Amendments of the Assembly—To be further considered.
- 3. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
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- 10. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY CR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be further considered.
- 11. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be taken into consideration.
- 12. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 13. FIRES PREVENTION BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 14. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessian, or cotton bags."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. W. H. Edgar).

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Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

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Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. (Report No. 10).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Ranway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3). Gippsland and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

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Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 11).

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Trade Unions-Twenty-sixth Annual Report-Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, with an Appendix (No. 56).

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Income Tax Bill—[118]. Amendments suggested by the Legislative Council—how dealt with by Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Victorian Government Loan Bill—[147]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Victorian Loan Act—[149]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Legitimation of Children Bill-[100]. Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

No. 48.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th December, 1912. Speaker.

- 3. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :--

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application af certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1912.

- 5. Public Works Loan Application Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Message from the Legislative Assembly .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the temporary application out of 'The Public Account' of certain moneys for the purpose of substituting heavy rails for light rails on certain lines of railway," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council. FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1912.

7. RAILWAY ADVANCES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday

(600 copies.)

8. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—The Order of the Day for the further examination of witnesses at the Bar of the House having been read—

The Honorable J. E. Mackey was further examined.

The Honorable J. E. Mackey retired.

Mr. C. H. Merz was introduced and examined.

Mr. C. H. Merz retired.

Mr. E. B. Jones was introduced and examined.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the examination be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the further examination of witnesses be adjourned until Tuesday next.

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day. Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at fifty-one minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 48.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

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VICTORIA.

No. 49.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works in Country Districts and for Public Works and other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 16th December, 1912.

Speaker.

- 3. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of a maker of tents, tarpaulins, sails, or flags," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 17th December, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

5. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed making biscuits," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Thursday next. (600 copies.)

6. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed-

 driving or cleaning mechanically-propelled passenger vehicles hired or plying for hire;
 cleaning mechanically-propelled vehicles of any kind in places where such vehicles are kept for hire,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

7. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz. :- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the occupation of felling or preparing timber for saw mills or conveying it to the mills," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Noes, 9. The Hon. J. G. Aikman, W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan,

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott, R. B. Rees.

H. F. Richardson, A. O. Sachse, E. J. White.

E. Miller,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 16th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

8. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Public Service Act 1890-

Regulations - Classification of Professional Division-

Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).

Department of Public Works-Ports and Harbors.

9. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—The Order of the Day for the further examination of witnesses at the Bar of the House having been read-

Mr. E. B. Jones was further examined. Mr. E. B. Jones retired.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That the Council do not call any further witnesses.

Motion, by leave, amended by adding the words "after calling Mr. H. R. Harper."

And, after debate-

Question—That the Council do not call any further witnesses after calling Mr. H. R. Harper—put. The Council divided.

Ayes, 19.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

T. Beggs,

F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke,

E. J. Crooke,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks, W. Little,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

J. McWhae,

D. Melville,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

A. A. Austin,

J. Sternberg.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. H. R. Harper was introduced and examined.

Mr. H. R. Harper retired.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at one minute past ten o'clock, adjourned until to morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

By Authority: Albert J. Mullett, Acting Government Printer, Melbourne.

Speaker.

Speaker.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 49.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That for the remainder of the Session the House do meet for the despatch of business on Thursdays and Fridays at eleven o'clock.
- 2. The Hon. J. D. Brown: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:--

- 1. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Amendments of the Assembly—To be further considered.
- 2. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 4. RAILWAY LOAN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 6. Public Works Loan Application Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 7. RAILWAY ADVANCES BILL-(from Assembly -Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 8. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 9. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
- 10. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. W. H. Edgar)—
 To be further considered in Committee.
- 11. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 12. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be further considered.

- 14. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be taken into consideration.
- 15. PETROLEUM BILL—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 16. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 17. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.
- 19. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessian, or cotton bags"—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. W. H. Edgar).

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of a maker of tents, tarpaulins, sails, or flags."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed making biscuits."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 3. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed—
 - (1) driving or cleaning mechanically-propelled passenger vehicles hired or plying for hire;
 - (2) cleaning mechanically-propelled vehicles of any kind in places where such vehicles are kept for hire."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- 4. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the occupation of felling or preparing timber for saw-mills or conveying it to the mills."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council. JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

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Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor-(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
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H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E.

McBryde, and E. Miller.

Standing Orders—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

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VICTORIA.

No. 50.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That for the remainder of the Session the House do meet for the despatch of business on Thursdays and Fridays at eleven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament. Debate ensued.
 - The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "proceeded with" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words "when the time is opportune to warrant such a great financial expenditure, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to proceed with the electrification of the line from Brighton Beach to North Essendon."

Debate continued.

The Honorable E. J. White moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And after debate-

Question—That the delate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

4. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Act 1912," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th December, 1912.

- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1912 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, and after debate, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at forty-eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 50.

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Questions.

- *1. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Minister of Railways, if he will state approximately the amount of duties that will be payable to the Commonwealth Government on the importation of machinery and fittings required in Mr. Merz's complete 1917 scheme for the Electrification of the Suburban Railways.
- *2. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Chief Secretary, what the intention of the Government is with reference to increasing the allowance from 5s. to 6s. 6d. per week to the foster-mothers for boarded-out children, and if the Honorable the Chief Secretary will see that the above increase takes effect this year, as the cost of living and clothing for the children in question cannot be properly carried out on the amount now allowed.
- *3. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, for the Honorable the Premier and Treasurer, if he will furnish to the House a detailed statement showing—
 - 1. The commitments of the Government for expenditure on Railways, Public Works, and Industrial Projects authorized by legislation during last Session and proposed by legislation to be passed during this Session of Parliament—
 - (a) From Revenue.
 - (b) From Loan Money.
 - 2. The amounts authorized to be raised by loan and expended by all other public bodies or Government Boards during the same period.
 - 3. The amount the Government will require to borrow in 1913 and 1914 to meet loans falling due and current requirements.
 - 4. The amount proposed to be borrowed in the State and in London or elsewhere.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY .-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessiau, or cotton bags"—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. W. H. Edgar).
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Wages Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of a maker of tents, tarpaulins, sails, or flags."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
 - * Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

- 3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.-Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :--" That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed making biscuits."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
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- 6. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-Second reading.
- 7. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 9. RAILWAY LOAN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 10. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 11. Public Works Loan Application Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 12. RAILWAY ADVANCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 13. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—Resumption of debate on the question— That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament; and on the amendment to omit all the words after "proceeded with" with a view to insert in place thereof the words "when the time is opportune to warrant such a great financial expenditure, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to proceed with the electrification of the line from Brighton Beach to North Essendon."—(Hon. E. J. White.)
- 14. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE ASSEMBLY-TO be further considered.
- 15. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS-To be further considered.
- 16. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be taken into consideration.
- 17. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
- 18. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)— To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 20. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)-To be further considered in Committee.
- *21. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1912 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 22. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 23. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 24. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 25. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar) -Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

JNO. M. DAVIES, President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 19th December.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—At twenty minutes past seven o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPRECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).—
 The Honorables W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).
- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS-(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912) .- The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.
- STANDING ORDERS-(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- Parliament Buildings (Joint)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.
- Printing—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

PRINTED PAPERS.

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*Aborigines-Forty-eighth Report of the Board for the Protection of the (No. 60). Agricultural Education-Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education-

> From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2). From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets-Summary of Sworn Returns-

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

For the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 59).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 4911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3).

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. - Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict.,

Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37).

Education—Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System-

Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure. 1912-13 (B. No. 21).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. A return showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1).

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops .- Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

Finance, 1911-12 - Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1912; with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General (A. No. 1).
First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson,

C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30). Gas Inquiry Board-Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust.-Royal Commission on the-

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

Minutes of Evidence (No. 55).

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911 (No. 29).

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

Judges—Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board—Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory.—Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the Year 1911 (No. 48).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

Barmah Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. (Report No. 10).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Ranway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

*Elmore to Cohuna Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 13).

Gipps, and and South-Eastern Lines Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 2).

Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 8).

*Hamilton to Cavendish Railway, together with Book of Reference (Report No. 14).

Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6).

Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway—Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Rainbow to Nypo Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 12).

Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 11).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of-Report from the (D. No. 2).

*Public Accounts, Committee of -Second Report from the (D. No. 4).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Put. Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20).

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with aStatement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs—Royal Commission on.—Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1912 (No. 44).

Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Roya! Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year

ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40).

State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46).

State Forests—Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 43).

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910—Part X.—Interchange (No. 1).

Statistical Register for 1911-

Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7).

Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III. - Municipal Statistics (No. 21).

Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 28).

Part V.—Accumulation (No. 34). Part VI.—Social Condition (No. 38).

Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners—Report of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Trade Unions-Twenty-sixth Annual Report-Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, with an Appendix (No. 56).

University of Melbourne-Report of the Proceedings from 31st July, 1911, to 31st July, 1912; together with four Appendices (No. 47).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board.—Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 50.

Factories and Shops Bill (No. 2)—[90]. (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Acts-

Application for a Special Board for Persons employed driving or cleaning mechanically-propelled Passenger Vehicles hired or plying for Hire, &c. (To Members of Council only.)

Application for a Special Board for Persons employed in the Process, Trade, Business, or Occupation of a Maker of Tents, Tarpaulins, Sails, or Flags. (To Members of Council only.)

Application for a Special Board for Persons employed in the Occupation of felling or preparing Timber for Sawmills or Conveying it to the Mills. (To Members of Council only.)

Application for a Special Board for Persons employed making Biscuits. (To Members of Council

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 77.

Workers' Compensation Bill-[37]. Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Swinburne. (To Members only.)

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No. 51.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Factories and Shops Acts--Appointment of Special Wages Board.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed in making or repairing jute, hessian, or cotton bags," having been read-

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Ordered-That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :- "That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of a maker of tents, tarpaulins, sails, or flags," having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the

foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed making biscuits," having been read—
 The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to

the foregoing resolution.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:-"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to persons employed-

(1) driving or cleaning mechanically-propelled passenger vehicles hired or plying for hire; (2) cleaning mechanically-propelled vehicles of any kind in places where such vehicles are kept for hire," having been read-

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

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6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed in the occupation of felling or preparing timber for saw-mills or conveying it to the mills," having been read—

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the

foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question -put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

7. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them

that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

8. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, including the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 4, being the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council as modified by the Legislative Assembly, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same, including the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 4, being the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council as

modified by the Legislative Assembly.

9. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Elmore to Cohuna," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1912.

Speaker.

- 10. Elmore to Cohuna Railway Construction Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Hamilton to Cavendish," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1912.

- 12. Hamilton to Cavendish Railway Construction Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 13. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

14. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

15. RAILWAY LOAN Application Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 16. Postponement of Order of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 11 be postponed until after No. 12.
- 17. RAILWAY ADVANCES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 18. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 11 be postponed until after No. 13.
- 19. ELECTRIFICATION OF THE METROPOLITAN RAILWAY SYSTEM.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament; and on the amendment to omit all the words after "proceeded with" with a view to insert in place thereof the words "when the time is opportune to warrant such a great financial expenditure, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to proceed with the electrification of the line from Brighton Beach to North Essendon," having been read-

Debate resumed.

- Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the motion-put and resolved in the
- Question-That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Electrification of the Metropolitan Railway System be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all necessary steps in that direction: Provided that no tender for a supply of electric energy shall be invited or accepted for tractive purposes without the sanction of Parliament-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 21.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson, W. C. Angliss, A. A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, W. L. R. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, J. McWhae,

· Tellers. The Hon. J. G. Aikman, A. Robinson.

Noes, 6. The Hon. W. Little, E. Miller, H. F. Richardson, A. O. Sachse.

Tellers. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

D. Melville, T. H. Payne.

20. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and, after debate, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered -That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

21. Public Works Loan Application Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill:—

Clause 2, line 10, omit "eighty-nine," and insert "sixty-four."

In the Schedule-

Omit "4. Towards Establishment and Equipment of Metropolitan Market, for Garden, Orchard, Farm, and Dairy Produce, &c., 25,000."

Omit "189,000," and insert "164,000;"

and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again,

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Legislative Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.

22. Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Insert the following new clauses:-

- 1. A. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act of the Parliament of Victoria or any Rules made in pursuance of any such Act the Supreme Court consisting of three Judges of whom the Chief Justice shall be one may where under special circumstances it shall in its absolute discretion see fit so to do with reference to any person who shall within one year after the passing of this Act satisfy the said Court that he has before the commencement of this Act served for ten years in Victoria as a managing clerk to some practising barrister and solicitor or barristers and solicitors and has been for such period of ten years bonâ fide engaged under his or their direction and supervision in the transaction and management of such matters of business as are usually transacted by barristers and solicitors order that such person shall upon passing the examination hereinafter provided for be entitled to admission to practise as a barrister and solicitor for the Supreme Court without entering into or serving under articles of clerkship and without passing any examination or examinations other than such examination as aforesaid but subject nevertheless to the compliance in all other respects by such person with the Rules for the time being in force in relation to the admission of barristers and solicitors.
- 2. B. Any person who shall obtain an order under the provisions of the last preceding section hereof must before he apply for admission to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court submit to be examined by the Board of Examiners of the Supreme Court and must pass in six at least of the following subjects:—

(1) Conveyancing and special legislation affecting it in Victoria.

(2) Special legislation affecting the law of contracts and torts in Victoria.

(3) Divorce law.

- (4) Probate practice and special legislation affecting the administration of estates in Victoria.
- (5) Insolvency law.
- (6) Criminal law.
- (7) Practice of the Supreme Court in its civil jurisdiction.
- (8) Practice of the County Court and before justices.

Such examination may be passed in such six subjects at least at any one examination or at more than one examination but so that the person examined shall pass in at least two of the said subjects at any one examination. And such examination or examinations shall be held at such times and on payment of such fees as the Judges of the Supreme Court or a majority of them may from time to time prescribe or direct under Rules to be made by them from time to time which Rules the said Judges or a majority of them are bereby authorized and empowered to make.

C. In section eighty-four of the Supreme Court Act 1890 the words "twenty years" wherever occurring shall be omitted and in the place thereof in each case the following words shall be inserted:—"fifteen years, or in the case of an action for arrears of rent or interest six years."

In the same section the words "on account of the principal or interest due thereon" shall be omitted.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause A be amended by inserting before "satisfy" in line 5, the words "(after giving one calendar month's notice to the Secretary of the Law Institute of Victoria of his intention to apply)."

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. Question—That new clause A, as amended, be agreed to—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause B be amended by omitting, in line 3, the words "by the Board of Examiners" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "in manner prescribed by Rules made by the Judges."

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause B—put and negatived. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause B be further amended by omitting, in lines 3 and 4, the words "six at least of."

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause B—put and negatived. The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause B be further amended by omitting, in lines 5 to 13, the words—

"(1) Conveyancing and special legislation affecting it in Victoria.

(2) Special legislation affecting the law of contracts and torts in Victoria.

(3) Divorce law.

(4) Probate practice and special legislation affecting the administration of estates in Victoria.

(5) Insolvency law.

(7) Practice of the Supreme Court in its civil jurisdiction.

(8) Practice of the County Court and before justices.'

and by inserting in lieu thereof the words-

"(1) Law of property in land and conveyancing.

(2) Law of contract and personal property.

(3) Administrative law.

(4) Equity.(5) Law of wrongs (civil and criminal).

(6) Law of procedure and evidence.

(7) Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia."

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause B-put and negatived. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause B be further amended by omitting, in line 14, the word "six."

Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause B-put and negatived. The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That new clause B be further amended by omitting, in line 14, the words "at least."

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause B—put and negatived. The Honorable A. Robinson, for the Honorable E. Miller, moved, That new clause B be further amended by adding the following words to the clause :-

"Any person admitted and entitled to practise as a barrister or solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand and who has been in the employment of a practising barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria for five years immediately preceding his application shall upon payment of the prescribed fee be entitled to be admitted to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria upon passing or having passed in the following subjects, or such of them as are for the time being prescribed for the admission of Victorian candidates applying for admission as barristers and solicitors, namely, administrative law, constitutional history and law, Parts II. and III., private international law, and the law of jurisprudence (including Roman law)."

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative. Question—That new clause B, as amended, be agreed to—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That new clause C be amended by omitting, in line 2, the words "shall be omitted" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "are hereby repealed."

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause C-put and negatived. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That new clause C be further amended by omitting, in lines 4 and 5, the words "shall be omitted" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "are hereby

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of new clause C-put and negatived. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That new clause C, as amended, be agreed to—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the insertion of new clauses A, B, and C, but have made amendments in the said clauses, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

23. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL. —The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow :-

Amendments made by the Legislative Council,

Clause 7, omit this clause.

Clause 15, omit this clause. 2.

3.

Clause 16, omit this clause. Clause 17, omit this clause.

Insert the following new clauses:-

New clause to follow clause 17:-5.

F. Sub-section (1) of section twenty-eight of Act No. 2229 is hereby repealed and the following sub-section is hereby substituted therefor:-

(1) The value of any land acquired by compulsory value of land process shall be assessed at the sum which the land if how estimated. unencumbered by any lease mortgage or other charge thereon might be expected to realize at the date on which the offer improved value. was made, if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bona fide seller might in ordinary circumstances be expected to require. Provided that the capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining is the value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown.

G. In sub-section (1) of section thirty one of the Amendment of No. 2229 s. 31. Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) omit "sixty" and insert "thirty."

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with. Disagreed with.

Disagreed with.

Disagreed with.

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:-Omit "Act No. 2229," line 1, and insert "the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2)."

Agreed to with the following amendment viz .- Omit the word, "omit 'sixty' and insert 'thirty,' "and insert the words "for the 'sixty' there shall be substituted the word 'thirty.'"

Disagreed with.

- K. (1) For sub-section (1) of section twenty-five Amendment of No. 1000 (No. 2) there shall be No. 1962 s. 25. of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be substituted the following sub-section:-
 - "(1) At any time within fifteen days if the owner is in the Commonwealth of Australia or within one bundred and twenty days in any other case, after the service on him of a copy of the notification declaring that any land has been acquired under this Act, the owner of an estate in possession the whole or any part of which is proposed to be taken compulsorily shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Closer Settlement Acts, on giving to the Board a written claim, have the right to select and retain out of the estate for the purposes of residence or business, land the unimproved value of which does not exceed Six thousand pounds unless the Judge by whom the claim for compensation is fixed or to whom is referred any dispute as to the total unimproved value of land which may be retained by the owner as herein provided, determines (and the Judge is hereby given power to so determine at the time of fixing the compensation or of such reference as aforesaid) a larger sum than Six thousand pounds but not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds-
 - (a) For the purpose of allowing the owner to retain a reasonable area of land around the homestead in any case where the unimproved value of the land sought to be retained is high, or where the value of the improvements is great, the Judge, in determining the total value of land which may be so retained by the owner of the estate, shall have regard to the unimproved value per acre of the land and to the value of the improvements thereon:
 - (b) For the purposes of this section the words 'unimproved value' mean the sum which the owner's estate or interest therein, if unencumbered by any mortgage or other charge thereon, might in ordinary circumstances be expected to realize at the time of valuation if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bond fide seller might be expected to require and assuming that the improvements (if any) had not been made provided that the unimproved capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining, is the unimproved value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown:
 - (c) The land so to be selected and retained shall be land situate around the homestead (if any) and shall be in such form and shape as will conform with the survey regulations under the Land Act 1901."
 - (2) In sub-section (3) of the said section twenty-five for the words "Ten thousand pounds in" there shall be substituted the words "Twenty thousand pounds in unimproved."
- N. (1) The provisions of section sixty-nine of the Provision of Principal Act as amended by this Act shall not apply to any section 69 of No. 1962 not to Crown grants to be issued in respect of conditional purchase apply to Crown grants to be fore the commencement of this Act. Save issued in as aforesaid every such Crown grant shall be subject respectfor conditional purchase as a foresaid every such Crown grant shall be subject respectfor conditional appropriate to the Closer Sattlement Acts and to the purchase lesses. nevertheless to the Closer Settlement Acts and to the purchase leases covenants conditions reservations and exceptions which at the applied for before the date of the commencement of this Act are contained in Crown commencement of this Act. grants of agricultural allotments selected from the Crown under the Land Act 1901.

(2) Every statement circular advertisement or notice Giving publicity issued by or with the consent or sanction of the Board ditions inviting either directly or by implication applications for allotments available under conditional purchase lease and as to which the provisions of section sixty-nine of the Principal Act as amended Disagreed with. by this Act apply and every application for any such conditional purchase lease and every such conditional purchase lease contain in a type (except in any advertisement in a registered newspaper) larger than that used in the other parts of the document a statement to the effect that the Crown grant of the allotment to be comprised or comprised in the conditional purchase lease will be subject to a condition rendering the Crown grant liable to be revoked and the allotment liable to forfeiture to the Crown and the Crown grantee or owner for the time being liable to be dispossessed of any estate or interest in the allotment without compensation unless the Crown grantee or owner for the time being of such allotment shall personally by himself or some member of his family or some person approved by the Governor in Council reside on such allotment or on some portion of the estate of which such allotment forms a portion or on any land adjacent thereto for a period of eight months during each and every year.

Amendments 1, 2, and 3, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 4, after debate, not insisted on, but the following words added to the clause:—"This sub-section shall come into operation on a day to be proclaimed by the Governor in Council and notified in the Government Gazette, which proclamation may be made when the Governor in Council is satisfied that the valuations of land made by assessors under the Land Tax Act 1910 are available for adoption for the purposes of this Act."

Amendment 5, amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council agreed to.

Amendment 6, amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council agreed to.

Amendment 7. The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 7. The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "Council" be omitted with a view to insert in lieu thereof the words "insist on the insertion of new clause K but make the following amendments in the said clause, viz.:—

In line 18, omit 'Twenty' and insert 'Ten'.

Omit paragraph (a). Omit sub-clause (2)."

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and negatived. Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. Question—That the Council insist on the insertion of new Clause K, but make the following amendments in the said clause, viz.:—

In line 18, omit "Twenty" and insert "Ten".

Omit paragraph (a). Omit sub-clause (2)—

put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 8. The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on sub-clause (1) of new clause N.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on sub-clause (2) of new clause N. Debete ensued

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

24. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 11, 16 to 25 inclusive, and

Elmore to Cohuna Railway Construction Bill—Second reading. Hamilton to Cavendish Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.

be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 51.

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1912.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- *1. Elmore to Cohuna Railway Construction Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—Second reading.
- *2. Hamilton to Cavendish Railway Construction Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. F. Hagelth rn)—Second reading.
 - 3. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES PACKING AND SALE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
 - 4. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
 - 5. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—Amendments of the Council disagreed with by the Assembly or agreed to with Amendments—To be taken into consideration.
 - 6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE COUNCIL DISAGREED WITH BY THE ASSEMBLY OR AGREED TO WITH AMENDMENTS—To be further considered.
 - 7. Public Works Loan Application Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—To be further considered in Committee.
 - 8. Scaffolding Inspection Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)—To be further considered in Committee.
 - 9. THISTLE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1912 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. D. Brown)—Second reading.
- 11. Petroleum Bill—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Second reading.
- 12. Fires Prevention Bill—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 13. No LIABILITY MINING COMPANIES BILL-(Hon. J. D. Brown)-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. H. Edgar)
 —Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council. JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 20th December.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)--At a quarter to Two o'clock.

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1912.

- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-(Appointed 3rd July, 1912).-The Honorables, W. C. Angliss, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, J. P. Jones, J. Y. McDonald, H. F. Richardson, and A. Robinson.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT) -- The Honorables A. Hicks (appointed 3rd July, 1912) and D. Melville (appointed 5th December, 1911).
- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 9th July, 1912).—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, J. Balfour, W. J. Evans, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and E. Miller.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, F. Hagelthorn, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, J. G. Aikman, W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, and W. Pearson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, W. A. Adamson, D. Melville, and A. O. Sachse.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables W. J. Evans, A. Hicks, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, and R. B. Rees.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 10th July, 1912).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. L. R. Clarke, J. P. Jones, W. Little, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson, and E. J. White.

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The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 3066 and 1702), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer.

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From 1st January, 1911, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 2). From 1st July, 1911, to 31st December, 1911 (No. 32).

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 6).

For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1912 (No. 23).

For the Quarter ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 59).

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1911 (No. 27). Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court (No. 3),

Constitution Act Amendment Acts, The, and Preferential Voting Act 1911.—Report and Statistics relating to the General Election for the Legislative Assembly, held on 16th November, 1911 (No. 26).

Constitution Statute. - Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict.,

Cap. 55, during the year 1911-12 (No. 37). Education—Report, together with Appendices, of Minister of Public Instruction for 1910-11 (No. 12).

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1911 (No. 15).

Electrification - Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne Suburban Railway System -Further Report by Charles H. Merz upon the (C. No. 2).

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in connexion with the further Report by Mr. Charles H. Merz on the (C. No. 3).

Report by Charles H. Merz on Proposed Procedure in regard to Supply of Power (C. No. 4).

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure. 1912-13 (B. No. 21).

Estimates, Supplementary, 1911-12 (B. No. 10).

Exhibition Trustees-Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 49).

Explosives-Report of the Chief Inspector for 1911 (No. 10).

Factories and Shops Acts.—Extension of Special Boards to Country Districts. A return

showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply. (A. No. 1). Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 13).

Finance, 1911-12 -Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for year ending 30th June, 1912; with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General (A. No. 1).

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1911 (No. 30). Gas Inquiry Board—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Metropolitan Gas Supply; together with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence (No. 41).

Geelong Harbor Trust.—Royal Commission on the—

Progress Report (No. 31).

Final Report with Appendices (No. 18).

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Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1911 (No. 42).

Inebriate Institutions-Report of the Inspector of, for the year ending 31st December, 1911

Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, January, 1912—Reports of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates (No. 4).

*Judges-Report of the Council of (No. 58).

Land Act 1901-Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., relating to Village Settlements, during the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 35).

Land Acts.—Report for the Eighteen Months ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 36).

Lands Purchase and Management Board-Report of the, for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 39).

Marine Board of Victoria .- Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1911 (No. 9).

Mines—Annual Report of Secretary for 1911 (No. 24).

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1911 (No. 25).

Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, C.M.G., Clerk of the Parliaments.

Observatory — Forty-fourth Report of Board of Visitors, together with Report of Government

Astronomer for period from 1st June, 1910, to 30th June, 1911 (No. 8).

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons -Report and Statistical Tables for the Year 1911 (No. 48).

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways-Reports-

Barmalı Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 7).

Chillingollah to Manangatang Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference. (Report No. 10).

Dederang and Kiewa Valley Ranway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 4).

Eastern Mallee Connecting Railways, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 3).

Elmore to Cohuna Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 13).

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Gunyah Gunyah, Jumbuk, and Bulga Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Report No. 8).

Hamilton to Cavendish Railway, together with Book of Reference (Report No. 14). Loch, Toorongo, and Latrobe Valleys Connecting Railway, together with Minutes of

Evidence and Plan (Report No. 6). Portland and Serviceton Main Line Connexion Railway-Second Progress Report on the (Report No. 1).

Rainbow to Nypo Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 12).

Sea Lake to Pier-Millan Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 11).

Swan Hill to Piangil Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No 9).

Tallangatta to Cudgewa Railway, together with Minutes of Evidence and Book of Reference (Report No. 5).

Twenty-second General Report (No. 19).

Public Accounts, Committee of-Report from the (D. No. 2).

Public Accounts, Committee of—Second Report from the (D. No. 4).

Public Education.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1911, to 30th June, 1912 (No. 33).

Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1908-9-10 (No. 20). Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery.—Report of the Trustees for 1911, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-11 (No. 11).

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1911 (No. 17).

Railway and Tramway Systems of Melbourne and Suburbs-Royal Commission on .- Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (No. 16).

Railways-Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th

June, 1912 (No. 44). Rodger, Peter, and the Victorian Railways Commissioners.—Report of the Roya! Commission appointed to inquire into the Claims arising out of the Contract entered into between, for the Erection of Flinders-street New Station Buildings (No. 5).

Savings Banks Acts.—State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 40). State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager for the year 1911-12 (No. 46).

State Forests-Report for the year ended 30th June, 1912 (No. 43).

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Seventh Annual Report, 1911-12 (No. 45).

Statistical Register of Victoria for 1910-Part X.-Interchange (No. 1).

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Part I.—Blue Book (No. 7).

Part II.—Finance (No. 22).

Part III.—Municipal Statistics (No. 21).

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Tenders, Foreign and Other, Acceptance by the Railways Commissioners—Report] of the Sub-Committee of the Cabinet on the (C. No. 1).

Trade Unions—Twenty-sixth Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1911, with an Appendix (No. 56).

University of Melbourne—Report of the Proceedings from 31st July, 1911, to 31st July, 1912; together with four Appendices (No. 47).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board .- Annual Report for 1911 (No. 14).

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Elmore to Cohuna Railway Construction Bill—[174]. (To Members of Council only.)

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No. 52.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

- 3. APPROPRIATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 4. Elmore to Cohuna Railway Construction Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 5. Hamilton to Cavendish Railway Construction Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until after No. 10, (600 copies.)

7. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Report be now adopted.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved as an amendment, That all the words after "Thut" be omitted with a view to insert in lieu thereof the words "the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 5 and 7."

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question-put and resolved in the

Question—That the Report be now adopted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, and after debate, the Bill was read a third time and

passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.

8. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legitimation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts."

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

9. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly, having considered the Message of the Legislative Council suggesting on the consideration of the Bill in Committee that this House make certain amendments in such Bill, have decided not to make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Public Works Loan Application Bill.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rainbow towards Nypo," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

11. RAINBOW TO NYPO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.

12. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

1. Clause 3, sub-clause (2), after "vacancy" add-"Provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of Commissioner other than the Chairman such person so appointed to fill such vacancy shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the same class of business as the Commissioner through whom such vacancy occurred."

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:-Lines 4-5, omit "and actively engaged in the same class of business as" and insert "similar interests to those represented by."

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

2. Clause 3, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—

"(2A) One of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed customs export entries within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be nominated by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne."

- 3. Clause 6, sub-clause (1), line 28, omit "remove or."
- 4. ,, sub-clause (2), line 30, omit "so."
- 5. ,, sub-clause (2), line 30, after "removed" insert "pursuant to this section."
- 6. ,, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—

"(2A) It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to remove any Commissioner from his office upon the address of both Houses of Parliament, and when Parliament is not sitting it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council with the advice of the Executive Council to suspend from his office any Commissioner who shall become incapable or who shall neglect to perform the duties of his office, or who shall otherwise misbehave therein. Provided that unless an address shall be passed by both Houses of Parliament to remove any Commissioner so suspended within sixty days from the time of the next meeting of Parliament such suspension shall cease."

- 7. Clause 9, sub-clause (1), line 8, after "person" insert
 "representative of and actively engaged in the
 same class of business as the Commissioner
 whose absence sickness or incapacity caused
 the deficiency in the number of Commissioners."
- 8, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—

"(3) Nothing in this section shall apply to any Commissioner nominated by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne,"

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Agreed to with the following amendments, viz.:—
Paragraph 1, lines 2-4, omit "a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the" and insert "an."

Line 4, omit "shipping" and insert "ships."

Lines 6-8, omit all words after "Melbourne" to end of paragraph.

Paragraph 2, lines 2-3, omit "representative of and actively."

Paragraph 2, line 4, omit "of goods."

Paragraph 2, lines 5-7, omit all words after "Victoria" to end of paragraph, and insert "of wool, grain, butter, fruit, or other Victorian produce." Paragraph 2."

Paragraph 3, lines 2-3, omit "representative of and actively."

5 to end of paragraph.

Paragraph 3, omit all words after "Victoria" in line

Paragraph 4, omit all words after "shall be" in line 2 to end of paragraph, and insert "identified with primary production in Victoria."

Disagreed with.

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—
Omit "and actively engaged in the same class of business as" and insert "similar interests to those represented by."

Disagreed with.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly on amendment 1.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. T. Beggs, J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks,

Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

J. McWhae,

R. B. Rees,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

A. A. Austin,

E. J. White.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the amendment of the Assembly, in lines 2-4 of paragraph 1 of amendment 2, be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the amendment of the Assembly to omit "shipping" in line 4 of paragraph 1 of amendment 2, and insert "ships" be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the amendment of the Assembly to omit all words after "Melbourne" to end of paragraph 1 of amendment 2 be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,
T. Beggs,
J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
F. Hagelthorn,
Walter S. Manifold,

J. McWhae,

E. J. White.

Tellers.

D. E. McBryde,

T. H. Payne.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

W. J. Evans,

D. Melville.

Tellers.

A. McLellan,

H. F. Richardson.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

J. Balfour,

A. McLellan,

D. Melville,

H. F. Richardson,

A O. Sachse.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans,

R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the amendment of the Assembly to omit "representative of and actively" in lines 2-3 of paragraph 2 of amendment 2 be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable J. G. Aikman moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Motion—That the debate be now adjourned, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate continued.

Question—put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the amendment of the Assembly to omit "of goods" in line 4 of paragraph 2 of amendment 2 be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly to omit all words after "Victoria" to end of paragraph 2 of amendment 2, and to insert in lieu thereof "of wool, grain, butter, fruit, or other Victorian produce."

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly to omit "representative of and actively" in lines 2-3 of paragraph 3 of amendment 2. Question—put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly to omit all words after "Victoria" in line 5 to end of paragraph 3 of amendment 2,

Question—put and negatived.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly to omit all words after "shall be" in line 2 to end of paragraph 4 of amendment 2, and to insert in lieu thereof the words "identified with primary production in Victoria."

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 3-6 inclusive, after debate, insisted on.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly on amendment 7.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Amendment 8 not insisted on.

- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly in this Bill, do insist on others, have agreed to some of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on certain of the amendments of the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments.
- 13. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act 1906 '."

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

14. Message from the Legislative Assembly .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Linton to Skipton," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

15. LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL .- On the motion of the Honorable W. H. Edgar, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.

16. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend Section Six of the 'Lifts Regulation Act 1906' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

- 17. LIFTS REGULATION ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave to be read a second time this day.
- 18. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read. (For these amendments see Minutes of the Proceedings, pp. 151-2).

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on sub-clause (2) of new clause N.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on one and do insist on others of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on certain of the amendments of the Legislative Council, do not insist on their amendment to insert new clause K but have amended the same, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

19. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following

Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council on the amendments of the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Supreme Court Act 1890'.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912. 20. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Mineral Springs on Crown Lands," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

- 21. MINERAL SPRINGS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. Hagelthorn, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 22. Appropriation Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

- 23. Public Works Loan Application Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Report be now adopted.

- The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved as an amendment, That all the words after "That!" be omitted with a view to insert in lieu thereof the words "the amendments suggested on the consideration of the Bill in Committee of the whole* be again suggested to the Assembly."
- Question—That the words proposed to be omitted standpart of the question—put and negatived. Question—That the amendments suggested on the consideration of the Bill in Committee of the whole be again suggested to the Assembly—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Legislative Assembly amend the Bill according to the foregoing resolution.

24. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Licensing Acts with regard to determining the Number of Inhabitants of Licensing Districts and also as to licences in Mallee Country and Mallee Border and also as to the conditions of renewals of victuallers licences," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Speaker.

- Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
- 25. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 and 9 be postponed until after No. 10.
- 26. Factories and Shops Act 1912 Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the will with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.

27. RAINBOW TO NYPO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

* For these amendments see Minutes of the Proceedings, p. 153.

28. LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third

Ordered -- That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

29. MINERAL Springs Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

30. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they do not insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Closer Settlement Acts and for other purposes," have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in clause 17 of the said Bill, and do not insist on disagreeing with new clause K, but have agreed to the amendments made in such clause by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Speaker.

31. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law as to the Custody of Children."

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

32. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Conveyancing Act 1904' and for other purposes." FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Speaker.

Speaker.

33. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890 and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly insist on their amendments in new clause (2A) of clause 3 inserted by the Legislative Council, and insist on their amendment on the amendment of the Legislative Council in sub-clause (1) of clause 9 of the said Bill.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.

34. Message from the Legislative Assembly .-- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intitule! "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Laying Out of Streets Lanes or Passages on Private Property and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 6, but have made amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.

35. LIFTS REGULATION ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

36. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Assembly on the amendments made by the Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

2. Clause 3, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—

"(2A) One of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed customs export entries within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be nominated by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne."

3. Clause 6, sub-clause (1), line 28, omit "remove or."

4. ,, sub-clause (2), line 30, omit "so."

5. ,, sub-clause (2), line 30, after "removed" insert "pursuant to this section."

6. ,, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—

"(2A) It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to remove any Commissioner from his office upon the address of both Houses of Parliament, and when Parliament is not sitting it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council with the advice of the Executive Council to suspend from his office any Commissioner who shall become incapable or who shall neglect to perform the duties of his office. or who shall otherwise misbehave therein. Provided that unless an address shall be passed by both Houses of Parliament to remove any Commissioner so suspended within sixty days from the time of the next meeting of Parliament such suspension shall cease."

How dealt with.

Agreed to by the Assembly with the following amendments, viz.:—Paragraph 1, lines 2-5, omit "a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the" and insert "an."

Paragraph 2, lines 2-3, omit "representative of and actively."

Paragraph 2, line 4, omit "of goods,"

Paragraph 2, lines 5-8, omit all words after "Victoria" to end of paragraph, and insert "of wool, grain, butter, fruit, or other Victorian produce"

Paragraph 3, line 3, omit "representative of and actively."

Paragraph 3, omit all words after "Victoria" in line 5 to end of paragraph.

Amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council disagreed with by the Council and insisted on by the Assembly.

Disagreed with by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council and disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

7. Clause 9, sub-clause (1), line 8, after "person" insert "representative of and actively engaged in the same class of business as the Commissioner whose absence. sickness or incapacity caused the deficiency in the number of Commissioners."

Agreed to by the Assembly with the following amendment, viz.:-Omit "and actively engaged in the same class of business as "and insert "similar interests to those represented by."

Amendment of the Assembly the amendment of the Council disagreed with by the Council and insisted on by the Assembly.

Amendment of the Assembly in paragraph 1 of amendment 2, after debate, now agreed to. Amendments of the Assembly in lines 2-3 and 4 of paragraph 2, after debate, now agreed to.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do now agree with the amendment of the Assembly in lines 5-8 of paragraph 2 of amendment 2. Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,

J. Balfour,

T. Beggs,

J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. McWhae,

R. B. Rees, H. F. Richardson,

A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,

E. J. White.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss,

W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan,

D. Melville.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments of the Assembly in paragraph 3 of amendment 2 now agreed to.

Amendment 3, after debate, still insisted on.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That the Council do not now insist on amendments 4 and 5, but substitute in lieu thereof the following amendments:-

In sub-clause (2) of clause 6, line 30, after "shall" omit "unless so removed" and insert "subject to this Act."

At the end of clause 6 insert the following words:—

- "(4) A Commissioner may be removed for misbehaviour or incompetence in the following manner-
 - (a) A Commissioner may be suspended from his office by the Governor in Council for misbehaviour or incompetence, but shall not be removed from office except as hereinafter provided.

The Governor in Council shall cause to be laid before Parliament a full statement of the grounds of suspension within seven days after such suspension if Parliament is in session and actually sitting, and when Parliament is not in session or not actually sitting, within seven days after the commencement of the next session or sitting.

(b) A Commissioner suspended under this section shall be restored to office unless each House of Parliament shall within twenty-one days from the time when such statement shall have been laid before it declare by resolution that the said Commissioner ought to be removed from office, and if each House of Parliament shall within the said time so declare the said Commissioner shall be removed by the Governor in Council accordingly."

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Debate ensued.

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And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock-

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Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Question-That the Council do not now insist on amendments 4 and 5, but substitute in lieu thereof the amendments above set forth—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 6 not now insisted on.

Amendment of the Assembly on amendment 7 now agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not now insist on disagreeing with certain of the amendments in this Bill insisted on by the Legislative Assembly, still insist on one of the said amendments, and do not now insist on other of their amendments in clause 6, but have made further amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

37. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have considered the Message of the Legislative Council suggesting on the consideration of the Report of the Committee that this House make certain amendments in such Bill, and have made the suggested amendments.

FRANK MADDEN.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

Speaker.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, the Report from the Committee of the whole was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill, including the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, which were suggested by the Legislative Council.

38. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1912'," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the said Bill, and have disagreed with the amendment to omit clause 1, but have made an amendment in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1912.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

(Disagreed with, but the following amendment made in clause 1, viz.:-

Omit sub-section (?).

Clause 1, omit this clause.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 1 and agree to the amendment of the Assembly in the said clause.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 1 and agree to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the said clause.

39. LICENSING DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

In the Title, omit "and also as to licences in Mallee Country and Mallee Border and also as to the conditions of renewals of victuallers licences" and insert "and for other purposes."

Clause 2, line 9, omit "thirtieth" and insert "thirty-first."
,, omit "November" and insert "January."
Clause 5, omit this clause.

Clause 6, omit this clause.

Clause 7, omit this clause.

Clause 8, omit this clause. Clause 9, omit this clause.

Clause 10, omit this clause.

Clause 11, omit this clause.

Insert the following new clause:-

"A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in section one hundred and twelve of the *Licensing Act* 1906 in determining the *pro ratā* assessment to be made thereunder in order to make up the amount of licence-fees annually closed by Licences Reduction Board.

The provided Heavisian Action 1906 in determining the pro ratā assessment to lost licence-fees where houses have been closed by Licences Reduction Board. tion Board of any licensed victualler's premises the said Board is hereby

authorized to assess either the whole or only such portion not being less than one-half of the amount of a lost licence-fee as appears to the Board to be equitable.

(2) The whole amount of the lost fee shall be so assessed by the Board except-

(a) where since the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and six there has been a material diminution of the licensed victuallers' trade of the whole or portion of any licensing district or districts affected by such closing of any licensed house; or

(b) where the trade of a closed licensed house was so limited as not to warrant the

assessment of the whole of the lost fee; or

(c) where the trade of any remaining licensed house is so limited that such allotment

would be oppressive; or

(d) where by reason of distance or sparsity of population it is probable that the trade of the licensed houses affected will not be materially benefited in consequence of such closing of any licensed house."

Omit the Schedule.

On the motion of the Honorable J. D. Brown, and after debate, the Council agreed to the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

40. PRIVATE PROPERTY THOROUGHFARES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:-

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

Part III., clause 6, omit this clause.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with, but the following amendments have been made in the clause, viz.:-

In line 7, after "shall not" insert "unless otherwise determined by the Council", and in last line of clause, after "shall" insert "if the Council so determine."

The Honorable W. J. Evans moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 6, and agree to the amendments of the Assembly in the said clause.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 6, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said clause.

41. Message from the Legislative Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendment insisted on by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890' and for other purposes," and have agreed to the further amendments made by the Legislative Council in the said Bill.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 21st December, 1912.

42. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 7th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday, 7th January next.

> R. W. V. McCALL, Clerk of the Legislative Council.



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The following Acts were assented to by His Excellency the Governor, on the dates hereunder mentioned, viz. :-

On the 23rd December, 1912—

"An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.'

"An Act to amend the Health Acts with regard to Vaccination Certificates."

"An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the City of Bendigo."

"An Act to further amend the Law relating to State School Teachers."

"An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Tallangatta to Cudgewa.'

"An Act relating to Country Roads."

"An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land at Tallangatta and for other

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"An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Chillingollah to Manangatang.'

"An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Sea Lake towards Pier-Millan."

"An Act relating to Leasing and Sale of Crown Lands in the Township of Wonthaggi and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the Alexandra Park Act 1904."

"An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Police Offences."

"An Act relating to the Railway Funds."

"An Act to approve and ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement for the Construction and Working of certain Border Railways and purposes incidental thereto (including the Construction of a Railway from Heywood to Mumbannar) entered into between the Governments of the States of Victoria and South Australia."

"An Act to empower the Trustees of certain Land granted for Alms-houses to Borrow Money and for other purposes."

On the 31st December, 1912—

"An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirteen and to amend the Income Tax

"An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways."

"An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes." "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts

for Railways and for other purposes."
"An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works in Country Districts and for Public Works and other purposes."

"An Act to authorize the temporary application out of 'The Public Account' of certain moneys for the purpose of substituting heavy rails for light rails on certain lines of railway."

"An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Elmore to Cohuna."

"An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Hamilton to Cavendish."

"An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legitimation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts."

"An Act to amend the Boilers Inspection Act 1906."

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"An Act relating to Mineral Springs on Crown Lands."

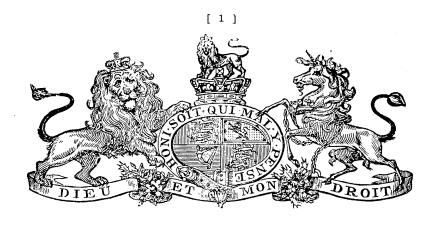
"An Act to amend Section Six of the Lifts Regulation Act 1906 and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the Law relating to the Laying Out of Streets Lanes or Passages on Private

Property and for other purposes." "An Act to amend the Licensing Acts with regard to determining the Number of Inhabitants of Licensing Districts and for other purposes.'

"An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Act 1912." "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan

Acts for Public Works and other purposes." "An Act to further amend the Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1890 and for other purposes."



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir John Michael Fleetwood Fuller, Baronet, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the seventh day of January, 1913: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of February, 1913.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this third day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and in the third year of His Majesty's reign.

(L.s.)

JOHN FULLER.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. A. WATT.

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT).

(SEE ACT No. 1899.)

The Hon. A. Hicks
(Appointed 3rd July, 1912.)

The Hon. D. Melville.

(Appointed 5th December, 1911.)

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1912.

No. 1.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE OPENING SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Appointed 3rd July, 1912.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss

W. A. Adamson

T. Beggs
J. P. Jones

The Hon. J. Y. McDonald H. F. Richardson

A. Robinson.

No. 2.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 9th July, 1912.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott

J. Balfour W. J. Evans

W. Little

The Hon. Walter S. Manifold

D. E. McBryde

E. Miller.

No. 3.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 10th July, 1912.

The Hon. the President

J. Balfour

J. D. Brown

E. J. Crooke

F. Hagelthorn

The Hon. Walter S. Manifold

D. E. McBryde

E. Miller

T. H. Payne

J. Sternberg.

No. 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1912.

The Hon. the President

J. G. Aikman

W. H. Edgar

The Hon. A. McLellan

W. Pearson.

No. 5.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1912.

The Hon. the President

R. H. S. Abbott

W. A. Adamson

The Hon. D. Melville A. O. Sachse.

No. 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1912.

The Hon. W. J. Evans

A. Hicks

J. Y. McDonald

The Hon. J. McWhae

R. B. Rees.

No. 7.—PRINTING.

Appointed 10th July, 1912.

The Hon. the President

A. A. Austin

T. Beggs

F. W. Brawn W. L. R. Clarke The Hon. J. P. Jones

W. Little

H. F. Richardson

A. Robinson

E. J. White.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1912.

WEEKLY REPORT $0 \, \mathrm{F}$ DIVISIONS

COMMITTEE THE WHOLE COUNCIL. \mathbf{OF}

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1912.

No. 1.—Pea Rifles and Saloon Guns Bill.—Clause 3:—

(1) No person under the age of eighteen years shall use discharge carry buy sell keep or knowingly have in his possession a pea rifle or saloon gun.

(2) No person shall sell or give or lend a pea rifle or saloon gun to any person under eighteen

years of age.

(3) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of this section shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds.

(4) Sub-section (1) of this section shall not be taken to apply to-

(a) any officer or member of a cadet corps using or carrying a pea rifle in the performance of his duty or when engaged in target practice or travelling thereto or therefrom;

(b) any employé of a gunsmith; or

(c) any employé under the age of eighteen years accompanying the owner of a pea rifle or saloon gun if such employé carries but does not use such pea rifle; or

(d) the proprietor or lessee of any shooting gallery his agent or servant while employed therein or any person shooting at a target or figure in such gallery.

 $-Hon.\ ilde{W}.\ H.\ Edgar.$ Amendment proposed—That the words "and no person shall make use of a pea rifle or saloon gun on private property without the consent of the owner or occupier of such property" be inserted after the word "gun" in sub-clause (1).—Hon. T. H. Payne.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13. The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

J. G. Aikman, A. A. Austin,

J. Balfour,

T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn,

W. Little,

W. S. Manifold,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne, H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

E. Miller,

W. Pearson.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, W. L. R. Clarke,

W. H. Edgar, 🚉

W. J. Evans,

F. Hagelthorn, A. McLellan,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

A. Hicks,

A. Robinson.

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SESSION 1912.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1912.

No. 1.—DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE BILL—Clause 2.—

(6) Subject to the approval of the Governor in Council the Director may from time to time assign to any officer of the Department of Agriculture during the pleasure of the Director such of the powers and duties of a Permanent Head as the Director thinks fit, and in such event any of such powers and duties executed by such officer shall for all purposes have the same force and effect as if executed by the Director—(Hon. F. Hagelthorn).

Amendment proposed—That the word "Director" in sub-clause 6 line 2 be omitted.

-(Hon. J. McWhae.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the sub-clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,
J. D. Brown,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
F. Hagelthorn,
A. Hicks,
Walter S. Manifold,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pearson,
A. Robinson,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
T. Beggs,
W. Little.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 10,

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. G. Aikman,
W. C. Angliss,
J. Balfour,
W. J. Evans,
A. McLellan,
J. McWhae,
D. Melville.

Tellers.

W. A. Adamson, H. F. Richardson.

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IN

COMMITTEE THE WHOLE COUNCIL. OF

No. 3.

Extracted the Minutes. from

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1912.

No. 1.—Industrial Associations Bill—Clause 4.—

An association which may be registered under this Act (herein called an industrial association) is an association for carrying on any industries, businesses, or trades specified in or authorized by its rules, whether wholesale or retail, and including dealings of any description with land. Provided that-

(a) no member other than a registered association shall have or claim any interest in the shares of the association exceeding Five hundred pounds;

(b) no association whether registered before or after the commencement of this Act shall receive deposits of money or in any way carry on the business of banking.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "whether" in paragraph (b), line 7, be omitted. —(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs,

J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke,

W. H. Edgar,

W. Little, Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. 7172.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

F. W. Brawn,

D. Melville,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

J. McWhae.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1912.

No. 2.—Industrial Associations Bill—Clause 13.—

(1) Every association shall once at least in every year submit its accounts for audit to an auditor licensed by the Companies Auditors Board under the provisions of the Companies Act 1910.

(2) Every auditor shall have access to all the books, deeds, documents, and accounts of the association, and shall examine the balance-sheets showing the receipts and expenditure, funds and effects of the association, and verify the same wiith the books, deeds, documents, accounts and vouchers relating thereto, and shall either sign the same as found by him to be correct, duly vouched, and in accordance with law, or specially report to the association in what respects he finds them incorrect, unvouched, or not in accordance with law.—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "balance-sheets showing the receipts and expenditure funds and effects" in sub-clause 2, lines 4-5, be omitted.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks,

A. McLellan.

Tellers.

W. L. R. Clarke,

W. Little.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

Walter S. Manifold,

J. McWhae,

D. Melville,

H. F. Richardson,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

W. C. Angliss,

T. Beggs.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1912.

No. 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—Clause 7.—

- (1) In sub-section (1) of section forty-eight of the Principal Act as amended by section seven of the Closer Settlement Act 1906 for the words "Four pounds and ten shillings" there shall be substituted the words "Four pounds" and for the word "seventy-three" there shall be substituted the word "eighty-two."
- (2) The said sub-section as amended shall also apply as from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twelve to every conditional purchase lease issued under the provisions of Part III. of the Land Act 1898 or of Part IV. of the Land Act 1901 or of the Closer Settlement Acts or dated before the commencement of this Act and every such lease shall be read and construed accordingly.
- (3) Every such lease issued or dated before the commencement of this Act may be indorsed (if necessary) in such manner as may be prescribed showing the variations made therein by virtue of this section,—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

Motion made and question put that Clause 7 stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar,

Tellers.
F. Hagelthorn,
R. B. Rees.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin,
J. Balfour,
T. Beggs,
E. J. Crooke,
W. J. Evans,
W. Little,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
A. McLellan,
J. McWhae,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson.

Tellers.
W. C. Angliss,
A. Hicks.

And so it passed in the negative.

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1912.

No. 1. Closer Settlement Bill.—Clause 13 —

In section sixty-nine of the Principal Act after the word "family" there shall be inserted the words "or any person approved by the Governor in Council."—(Hon J. D. Brown.)

Motion made and question put that Clause 13 stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
Walter S. Manifold,
A. McLellan,
R. B. Rees,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
F. W. Brawn,
A. Hicks.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. G. Aikman,
W. C. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. Little,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson.

Tellers.
W. Pearson,
E. J. White.

WEDNESDAY, 23rd OCTOBER, 1912.

No. 2.—Closer Settlement Bill.—Clause 15.

For section twenty of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be substituted the following section :-

"20. (1) Where in pursuance of the provisions of section twenty of the Principal Act an offer to purchase any estate for the Crown has been made to the owner thereof by the Board and has not been accepted by such owner within the time notified by the Board to such owner then the Governor in Council may direct that the whole or any part of the land comprising any such estate may be acquired by the Board from the owner by compulsory process.

(2) The Governor in Council may thereupon by notification published in the Government

Gazette declare that the whole or part of such land (as the case may be) has been acquired under

the Closer Settlement Acts for the purposes of closer settlement.

(3) A copy of the notification shall be laid before both Houses of Farliament within fourteen days after its publication in the Government Gazette if Parliament is then sitting and if not then within fourteen days after the next meeting of Parliament."—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

Motion made and question put that Clause 15 stand part of the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, J. Sternberg.

> Tellers. A. Hicks, A. McLellan.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. A. A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, E. J. Crooke, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, J. McWhae, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson, R. B. Rees, H. F. Richardson, A. Robinson.

Tellers.

W. C. Angliss, W. L. R. Clarke.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—Closer Settlement Bill—Clause 16.

In section twenty-five of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) after the word "exceed" in sub-sections (1) and (3) of the said section there shall be inserted the words "Six thousand pounds unless the Judge by whom the claim for compensation is fixed determines (and the Judge is hereby given power to so determine) at the time of fixing the compensation a larger sum than Six thousand pounds but not exceeding."

Motion made and question put that Clause 16 stand part of the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar, F. Hagelthorn, A. McLellan.

> Tellers. W. J. Evans, J. Sternberg.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman, W. C. Angliss, A. A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson. R. B. Rees, A. Robinson.

> Tellers. J. McWhae, H. F. Richardson.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—Closer Settlement Bill—Clause 17.

At the end of section twenty-seven of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be added the following new sub-section:—

"(3) In determining the compensation under this Act the valuation of the land made by assessors and set forth in the valuation register for the time being in force under the Land Tax Act 1910 may be taken into consideration."

Motion made and question put that Clause 17 stand part of the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.
The Hon. J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
F. Hagelthorn,
A. McLellan,

Noes, 17.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. C. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
J. Balfour,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
A. Hicks,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
J. Y. McDonald,
J. McWhae,
D. Melville,
W. Pearson,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson.

Tellers.
T. Beggs,
T. H. Payne.

And so it passed in the negative.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1912.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

ΙN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes.

THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1912.

No. 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—Proposed new Clause E:—
Section sixty-nine of the Principal Act is hereby repealed.

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again. Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. Balfour,
J. D. Brown,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
A. McLellan,
J. McWhae,

E. Miller, R. B. Rees.

Tellers.
W. C. Angliss,

W. Pearson.

And so it was received in the affirmative.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
W. Little,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson.

Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott, W. L. R. Clarke.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1912.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE THE WHOLE COUNCIL. OF

No. 7.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

No. 1.—Closer Settlement Bill.—Proposed new clause E:—

Section sixty-nine of the Principal Act is hereby repealed.—(Hon. T. Beggs.)

Motion made and question put—That new clause E be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. W. C. Angliss,

A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs,

D. Melville,

W. Pearson, H. F. Richardson,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

J. Balfour,

F. W. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar,

W. J. Evans,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

A. McLellan,

J. McWhae,

T. H. Payne,

J. Sternberg,

E. J. White.

Tellers.

W. A. Adamson,

R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative. 7172.

No. 2.—Closer Settlement Bill.—Proposed new clause N:—

- (1) The provisions of section sixty-nine of the Principal Act as amended by this Act shall not apply to any Crown Grants to be issued in respect of conditional purchase leases applied for before the commencement of this Act. Save as aforesaid every such Crown grant shall be subject nevertheless to the Closer Settlement Acts and to the covenants conditions reservations and exceptions which at the date of the commencement of this Act are contained in Crown grants of agricultural allotments selected from the Crown under the Land Act 1901.
- (2) Every statement circular advertisement or notice issued by or with the consent or sanction of the Board inviting either directly or by implication applications for allotments available under conditional purchase lease and as to which the provisions of section sixty-nine of the Principal Act as amended by this Act apply and every application for any such conditional purchase lease and every such conditional purchase lease shall contain in a type (except in any advertisement in a registered newspaper) larger than that used in the other parts of the document a statement to the effect that the Crown grant of the allotment to be comprised or comprised in the conditional purchase lease will be subject to a condition rendering the Crown grant liable to be revoked and the allotment liable to forfeiture to the Crown and the Crown grantee or owner for the time being liable to be dispossessed of any estate or interest in the allotment without compensation unless the Crown grantee or owner for the time being of such allotment shall personally by himself or some member of his family or some person approved by the Governor in Council reside on such allotment or on some portion of the estate of which such allotment forms a portion or on any land adjacent thereto for a period of eight months during each and every year.—(Hon. A. Robinson.)

Motion made and question put—That new clause N be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. A. Adamson,
W. C. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
J. Balfour,
T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
T. H. Payne,
W. Pearson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
A. Hicks,
J. McWhae,
R. B. Rees,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
F. W. Brawn,
A. McLellan.

THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER.

No. 3. Closer Settlement Bill.—Proposed new Clause K:—

- (1) For sub-section (1) of section twenty-five of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be substituted the following sub-section:—
- "(1) At any time within fifteen days if the owner is in the Commonwealth of Australia or within one hundred and twenty days in any other case, after the service on him of a copy of the notification declaring that any land has been acquired under this Act, the owner of an estate in possession the whole or any part of which is proposed to be taken compulsorily shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Closer Settlement Acts, on giving to the Board a written claim, have the right to select and retain out of the estate for the purposes of residence or business, land the unimproved value of which does not exceed Six thousand pounds unless the Judge by whom the claim for compensation is fixed or to whom is referred any dispute as to the total unimproved value of land which may be retained by the owner as herein provided, determines (and the Judge is hereby given power to so determine at the time of fixing the compensation or of such reference as aforesaid) a larger sum than Six thousand pounds but not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds—
 - (a) For the purpose of allowing the owner to retain a reasonable area of land around the homestead in any case where the unimproved value of the land sought to be retained, is high, the Judge in determining the total value of land which may be so retained by the owner of the estate, shall have regard to the unimproved value per acre of the land and to the value of the improvements thereon:

- (b) For the purposes of this section the words 'unimproved value' mean the sum which the owner's estate or interest therein, if unencumbered by any mortgage or other charge thereon, might in ordinary circumstances be expected to realize at the time of valuation if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bonâ fide seller might be expected to require and assuming that the improvements (if any) had not been made provided that the unimproved capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining, is the unimproved value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown:
- (c) The land so to be selected and retained shall be land situate around the homestead (if any) and shall be in such form and shape as will conform with the survey regulations under the Land Act 1901."
- (2) In sub-section (3) of the said section twenty-five for the words "Ten thousand pounds in" there shall be substituted the words "Twenty thousand pounds in unimproved."

Amendment proposed—After the words "Twenty thousand pounds" at end of substituted paragraph
(1) add—

"Provided that if the land or any part thereof sought to be retained by the owner thereof is situated less than five miles from the nearest boundary of any city or town or of any borough adjoining a city or town the Judge shall not determine a larger sum than Ten thousand pounds in unimproved value."—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,

D. Melville.

Tellers.

T. Beggs, H. F. Richardson. Noes, 7.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans,

R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—Proposed new Clause K as amended:—

(1) For sub-section (1) of section twenty-five of the Closer Settlement Act 1909 (No. 2) there shall be substituted the following sub-section:—

- "(1) At any time within fifteen days if the owner is in the Commonwealth of Australia or within one hundred and twenty days in any other case, after the service on him of a copy of the notification declaring that any land has been acquired under this Act, the owner of an estate in possession the whole or any part of which is proposed to be taken compulsorily shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the Closer Settlement Acts, on giving to the Board a written claim, have the right to select and retain out of the estate for the purposes of residence or business, land the unimproved value of which does not exceed Six thousand pounds unless the Judge by whom the claim for compensation is fixed or to whom is referred any dispute as to the total unimproved value of land which may be retained by the owner as herein provided, determines (and the Judge is hereby given power to so determine at the time of fixing the compensation or of such reference as aforesaid) a larger sum than Six thousand pounds but not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds—
 - (a) For the purpose of allowing the owner to retain a reasonable area of land around the homestead in any case where the unimproved value of the land sought to be retained, is high or where the value of the improvements is great, the Judge in determining the total value of land which may be so retained by the owner of the estate, shall have regard to the unimproved value per acre of the land and to the value of the improvements thereon:
 - (b) For the purposes of this section the words 'unimproved value' mean the sum which the owner's estate or interest therein, if unencumbered by any mortgage or other charge thereon, might in ordinary circumstances be expected to realize at the time of valuation if offered for sale on such reasonable terms and conditions as a bonâ fide seller might be expected to require and assuming that the improvements (if any) had not been made provided that the unimproved capital value of land held under any lease or licence from the Crown for purposes other than mining is the unimproved value for the time being of such land after deducting such amount of the purchase money as has not for the time being become due and payable to the Crown:
 - (c) The land so to be selected and retained shall be land situate around the homestead (if any) and shall be in such form and shape as will conform with the survey regulations under the Land Act 1901."

(2) In sub-section (3) of the said section twenty-five for the words "Ten thousand pounds in "there shall be substituted the words "Twenty thousand pounds in unimproved". Motion made and question put—That new Clause K as amended be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. Balfour, T. Beggs, Walter S. Manifold,

D. Melville,

H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

D. E. McBryde,

R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan.

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WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 8.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

No. 1. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

- (1) The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners instead of consisting of seventeen Commissioners as provided for in the Principal Act shall consist of five Commissioners.
- (2) At any time after the commencement of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint five fit and proper persons to be "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" and may appoint one of such persons to be the chairman of such Commissioners and may as any vacancy occurs in the office of chairman or Commissioner appoint some fit and proper person to fill such vacancy.
- (3) Such five Commissioners shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" in the place of and in immediate succession to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners constituted under the Principal Act and any Act amending the same and shall have perpetual succession and shall use the common seal of such last-mentioned Commissioners and shall be capable in law of suing and being sued and shall have power to take purchase sell lease and hold lands tenements and hereditaments goods chattels and other property for the purposes of and subject to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Acts; and all Courts Judges and persons acting judicially shall take judicial notice of the common seal of the said Commissioners affixed to any deed and shall presume that such seal was properly affixed thereto.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or the time for which any Commissioners were appointed or elected all such Commissioners holding office immediately before the appointment of five persons as Commissioners as aforesaid shall on such appointment without further or other authority than this Act vacate their seats as Commissioners and cease to be Commissioners.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).
- Amendment proposed—That the words "Commissioners instead of consisting of seventeen Commissioners as provided for in the Principal Act" in sub-clause (1) be omitted.—(Hon. D. Melville).

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

Noes, 7.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin.
J. Balfour,
F. W. Brawn,
J. D. Brown,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
Walter S. Manifold,
J. McWhae,
W. Pearson,
R. B. Rees,

Noes, 7.
The Hon W. J. Evans,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,

Tellers.
E. Miller,
E. J. White.

A. Robinson, J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
R. H. S. Abbott,
A. McLellan,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed—That the word "five" in sub-clause (1) be omitted.—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott). Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin,
F. W. Brawn,
J. D. Brown,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. F. McBrydo

Walter S. Manifold D. E. McBryde, R. B. Rees, J. Sternberg, E. J. White.

Tellers.
J. McWhae,
W. Pearson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

W. Pearson.

Noes, 10.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. Ealfour,
W. J. Evans,
A. McLellan,
D. Melville,
E. Miller,
T. H. Payne,

Tellers.
W. C. Angliss,
H. F. Richardson.

A. Robinson.

No. 3.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed—That the words "the Governor in Council may appoint" in sub-clause (2) be omitted.—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,
F. W. Brawn,
J. D. Brown,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
Walter S. Manifold,
E. Miller,
W. Pearson,
J. Sternberg,
E. J. White.

W. L. R. Clarke,
A. McLellan,
J. McWhae,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson.

J. Balfour,

W. C. Angliss,

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

Tellers.
A. Hicks,
R. B. Rees.

W. A. Adamson, W. J. Evans.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 20rn NOVEMBER.

No. 4.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

New sub-clause 2A to follow sub-clause (2):-

"One of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered in some British port not within the Commonwealth of Australia or the Dominion of New Zealand.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria." —(Hon. Walter Manifold.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or in some British port and trading at the port of Melbourne" be added after the word "Melbourne" in line 4. Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14. Noes, 9. The Hon. R. H. S: Abbott, The Hon. J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke, W. H. Edgar, J. Balfour, A. Hicks, D. E. McBryde, F. Hagelthorn, A. McLellan, W. Little, J. McWhae, Walter S. Manifold, D. Melville, R. B. Rees. E. Miller, T. H. Payne, Tellers. H. F. Richardson, F. W. Brawn, A. Robinson, W. Pearson. J. Sternberg. Tellers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

W. L. R. Clarke, W. J. Evans.

No. 5.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

New sub-clause 2A as amended to follow sub-clause (2):-

"One of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne, or in some British port and trading at the port of Melbourne.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria. -(Hon. Walter Manifold.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria" be added in line 3 at the end of the first paragraph.—(Hon. A. McLellan.) Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put. Committee divided.

Noes, 12. Ayes, 12. The Hon. W. A. Adamson, The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, F. W. Brawn, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, W. L. R. Clarke, W. J. Evans, E. J. Crooke, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold, A. McLellan, D. E. McBryde, D. Melville, W. Pearson, T. H. Payne, R. B. Rees, H. F. Richardson, J. Sternberg. A. Robinson. Tellers. Tellers. F. Hagelthorn, W. C. Angliss, E. Miller. J. McWhae.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectively twelve, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the "Ayes" in order to allow of further consideration to have been received. tion of the subject, and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown):— New sub-clause 2A as amended to follow sub-clause 2:-

"One of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the Port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed Customs export entries within two years of any

appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment."—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).

Amendment proposed—That the new paragraph "One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be a person representative of and a member of either the corporation of the City of Melbourne or the municipalities of South Melbourne Port Melbourne Williamstown and Footscray and shall be nominated by such corporation and municipalities" be added to new sub-clause 2A as amended.—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).

Question—That the new paragraph proposed be added be so added—put. Committee divided.

Noes, 12. Ayes, 10. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, The Hon. W. A. Adamson, W. L. R. Clarke, W. J. Evans, W. C. Angliss, J. Balfour, F. W. Brawn, A. McLellan, J. D. Brown, D. Melville, F. Hagelthorn, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, H. F. Richardson. J. McWhae. Tellers. R. B. Rees. A. Hicks, A. Robinson. Tellers. W. Pearson, J. Sternberg.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 7.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

New sub-clause 2A as amended to follow sub-clause 2.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold).

Amendment proposed—That the new paragraph:—

"One other of such Commissioners other than the Chairman shall be nominated by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne "be added to new sub-clause 2A as amended.— (Hon. J. McWhae.)

Noes, 8.

Tellers.

Question—That the new paragraph proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided. Ayes, 13. The Hon. W. A. Adamson, The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. C. Angliss, W. J. Evans, J. Balfour, F. Hagelthorn, F. W. Brawn, W. Pearson, Walter S. Manifold, H. F. Richardson, D. E. McBryde, J. Sternberg. J. McWhae, D. Melville, E. Miller. R. H. S. Abbott, T. H. Payne, A. McLellan. A. Robinson. Tellers. W. L. R. Clarke, A. Hicks.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 21st NOVEMBER.

NO. 8.—MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—New Clause A-

In section one hundred and forty-eight of the Principal Act the word "seaman" is hereby inserted after the word "workman" wherever the said word occurs in the said section.—(Hon. W. J. Evans.)

Motion made and question put—That new clause A be added to the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 2.

Tellers.The Hon. W. J. Evans, A. McLellan.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson, W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke, E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. McWhae,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pearson,

H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

R. B. Rees,

A. Robinson.

And so it passed in the negative.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 9.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

No. 1. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

- (1) The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners instead of consisting of seventeen Commissioners as provided for in the Principal Act shall consist of five Commissioners.
- (2) At any time after the commencement of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint five fit and proper persons to be "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" and may appoint one of such persons to be the chairman of such Commissioners and may as any vacancy occurs in the office of chairman or Commissioner appoint some fit and proper person to fill such vacancy. Provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of Commissioner other than the chairman such person so appointed to fill such vacancy shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the same class of business as the Commissioner through whom such vacancy occurred.
- (2A) One of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the Port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed customs export entries within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be nominated by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne.

- (3) Such five Commissioners shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" in the place of and in immediate succession to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners constituted under the Principal Act and any Act amending the same and shall have perpetual succession and shall use the common seal of such last-mentioned Commissioners and shall be capable in law of suing and being sued and shall have power to take purchase sell lease and hold lands tenements and hereditaments goods chattels and other property for the purposes of and subject to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Acts; and all courts judges and persons acting judicially shall take judical notice of the common seal of the said Commissioners affixed to any deed and shall presume that such seal was properly affixed thereto.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or the time for which any Commissioners were appointed or elected all such Commissioners holding office immediately before the appointment of five persons as Commissioners as aforesaid shall on such appointment without further or other authority than this Act vacate their seats as Commissioners and cease to be Commissioners.

-(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed—That the word "five" in sub-clause 1 be omitted.

-(Hon. A. Robinson).

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

F. Hagelthorn,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

E. Miller,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. A. Adamson,

R. B. Rees.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. L. R. Clarke, W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan,

D. Melville.

T. H. Payne,

H. F. Richardson,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

W. C. Angliss.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and the "Noes" to be respectively eleven, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the "Noes," in order to allow of further consideration of the subject, and declared the question to have passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

No. 2. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3.—(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed, line 2, That the word "seven" be inserted in place of the word "five"

-(Hon. A. Robinson).

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

W. L. R. Clarke,

W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

J. Y. McDonald.

A. Robinson.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs,

F. W. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

Walter S. Manifold,

J. McWhae,

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. Little,

D. E. McBryde.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

3. (1) The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners instead of consisting of seventeen Commissioners as provided for in the Principal Act shall consist of seven Commissioners.

- (2) At any time after the commencement of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint five fit and proper persons to be "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" and may appoint one of such persons to be the chairman of such Commissioners and may as any vacancy occurs in the office of chairman or Commissioner appoint some fit and proper person to fill such vacancy. Provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of Commissioner other than the chairman such person so appointed to fill such vacancy shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the same class of business as the Commissioner through whom such vacancy occurred.
- (2A) One of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the Port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed customs export entries within two years of any

appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be nominated by the Council

of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne.

- (3) Such five Commissioners shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" in the place of and in immediate succession to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners constituted under the Principal Act and any Act amending the same and shall have perpetual succession and shall use the common seal of such last-mentioned Commissioners and shall be capable in law of suing and being sued and shall have power to take purchase sell lease and hold lands tenements and hereditaments goods chattels and other property for the purposes of and subject to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Acts; and all courts judges and persons acting judicially shall take judical notice of the common seal of the said Commissioners affixed to any deed and shall presume that such seal was properly affixed thereto.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or the time for which any Commissioners were appointed or elected all such Commissioners holding office immediately before the appointment of five persons as Commissioners as aforesaid shall on such appointment without further or other authority than this Act vacate their seats as Commissioners and cease to be Commissioners.

-(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed—At the end of sub-clause 2A add the following words:—"One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be elected by the ratepayers of the municipalities of South Melbourne and Port Melbourne."

-(Hon. A. Robinson).

Further amendment proposed—That the word "ratepayers" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the word "councils."

-(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the amendment—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon J. Y. McDonald, A. Robinson.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans, A. McLellan. Noes, 22.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. A. Adamson,

J. G. Aikman,

W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

T. Beggs,

F. W. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke,

E. J. Crooke,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks,

W. Little,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

R. B. Rees,

H. F. Richardson,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

A. A. Austin,

J. McWhae.

No. 4. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

Proposed amendment by the Hon. A. Robinson as amended—"One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be elected by the councils of the municipalities of South Melbourne and Port Melbourne."

Further amendment proposed—That the words "Williamstown and Footscray" be added at the end of the proposed amendment.

—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

A. A. Austin,

J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

W. Little,

J. Y. McDonald,

R. B. Rees, H. F. Richardson,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

F. W. Brawn,

A. Hicks.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

W. C. Angliss,

J. Balfour,

W. J. Evans,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

A. McLellan,

J. McWhae,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

T. Beggs,

E. J. Crooke.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION 1912.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

THE WHOLE COUNCIL. COMMITTEE OF

No. 10.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1912.

No. 1.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

- (1) The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners instead of consisting of seventeen Commissioners as provided for in the Principal Act shall consist of seven Commissioners.
- (2) At any time after the commencement of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint five fit and proper persons to be "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners," and may appoint one of such persons to be the chairman of such Commissioners and may as any vacancy occurs in the office of chairman or Commissioner appoint some fit and proper person to fill such vacancy. Provided that in the event of a vacancy in the office of Commissioner other than the chairman such person so appointed to fill such vacancy shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the same class of business as the Commissioner through whom such vacancy occurred.
- (2A) One of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an owner or manager or agent for the owner of shipping registered at Melbourne or in some British port and trading at the Port of Melbourne and shall be nominated by such owners managers or agents resident in Victoria.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an exporter by sea of goods from the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by exporters who have passed customs export entries within two years of

any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be a person representative of and actively engaged in the business of an importer by sea of goods into the State of Victoria and shall be nominated by the merchants and traders who have paid wharfage rates to the Commissioners within two years of any appointment.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be nominated by the Council

of the Corporation of the City of Melbourne.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be elected by the Councils of the Municipalities of South Melbourne and Port Melbourne, Williamstown, and Footscray.

One other of such Commissioners other than the chairman shall be elected by the Councils of the Corporation and Municipalities of the State other than the Corporation of the City of Melbourne and the Municipalities of South Melbourne, Port Melbourne, Williamstown, and Footscray.

- (3) Such seven Commissioners shall be a body corporate by the name of "The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners" in the place of and in immediate succession to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners constituted under the Principal Act and any Act amending the same and shall have perpetual succession and shall use the common seal of such last-mentioned Commissioners and shall be capable in law of suing and being sued and shall have power to take purchase sell lease and hold 'ands' tenements and hereditaments goods chattels and other property for the purposes of and subject to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Acts; and all courts judges and persons acting judicially shall take judicial notice of the common seal of the said Commissioners affixed to any deed and shall presume that such seal was properly affixed thereto.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or the time for which any Commissioners were appointed or elected all such Commissioners holding office immediately before the appointment or election of seven persons as Commissioners as aforesaid shall on such appointment or election without further or other authority than this Act vacate their seats as Commissioners and cease to be Commissioners.

-(Hon. J. D. Brown).

Amendment proposed—That the word "seven" in sub-clause (1) be omitted. Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. G. Aikman,

J. Balfour,

W. J. Evans,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

H. F. Richardson,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,

A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs,

J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar,

F. Hagelthorn,

Walter S. Manifold,

J. McWhae,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson,

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

F. W. Brawn

W. Little.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Clause 3:—

Further amendment proposed—That the word "six" be inserted in place of the word "seven."

-(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted. Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. C. Angliss, W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

W. Little,

A. McLellan,

D Melville,

T. H. Payne,

H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

A. Robinson

Noes, 13.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,

T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown,

W. L. R. Clarke,

E. J. Crooke,

W. H. Edgar,

Walter S. Manifold,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. A. Adamson,

R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

No. 3.—Country Roads Bill.—Clause 3:—

In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter-

"The Board" shall mean the Country Roads Board.

"Clerk of a municipality" shall mean the town clerk of a borough or town or the secretary of a shire or the city clerk of a city.

"Land" includes any estate or interest in land (legal or equitable) and any easement right power or privilege over in or in connexion with land.

"Main road" shall mean any road declared to be a main road under the provisions of this

Act or any part of such road.

"Maintenance" shall include all works of every description which are in the opinion of the Board calculated to keep the carriage way of any main road and any drain draining such carriage way in the same state of utility as it was in at the time it was declared to be a main road or in the same state of utility as it was in as the result of any permanent improvements which have been effected to it under the provisions of this

"Minister" shall mean the Minister of Public Works.

"Municipal district" shall mean the district under the local government of a municipality.

"Municipality" shall mean the corporation of any city town borough or shire.
"Permanent improvement" shall include all works of every description exclusive of maintenance which are in the opinion of the Board calculated to increase the utility of the carriage way of a main road and shall include drains for draining such carriage

"Permanent works" shall include new main roads deviations from existing main roads and permanent improvements to main roads.

"Road" shall include bridge culvert ferry ford.

"Treasurer" shall mean the Treasurer of Victoria.

"Year" shall mean the twelve months ending on the last day of June.

--(Hon. W. H. Edgar.)

Amendment proposed-That the words "and shall include the corporations of Melbourne and Geelong" be added after the word "shire" in line 13.

-(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put. The Committee divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, W. J. Evans.

> Tellers. A. McLellan, R.B. Rees.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson, W. C. Angliss, A. A. Austin, J. Balfour, T. Beggs, E. J. Crooke, W. H. Edgar, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, J. McWhae, D. Melville. E. Miller, T. H. Payne, H. F. Richardson.

> Tellers. W. Pearson. A. Robinson.

J. Sternberg.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—Country Roads Bill.—Second Schedule:—

Rates of Fees on Registration or Renewal of Registration of Motor Cars, Motor Cycles, and Traction \check{E} ngines.

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Motor cycles of whatever horse power		• •			• •	£	s. 5	d. 0
Motor cars— Not exceeding 6½ horse power	• •	••	••		• •	1	1	0
Motor cars— Exceeding 61 but not exceeding 12 ho	orse powe	r	• •	• •		2	_	0
Exceeding 12 but not exceeding 16 Exceeding 16 but not exceeding 26	"	•,•	• •	• •	• •	3 4	$\frac{3}{4}$	$0 \\ 0$
Exceeding 26 but not exceeding 33 Exceeding 33	"	••	••	• •	• •	$\frac{5}{6}$	$\frac{5}{6}$	0
Motor cars, which are constructed and address conveyance of any goods or burden in	apted for the cour	use and se of tra	are used de or hu	l solely fo sbandry	or the	3	3	0
Traction engines · · · ·	••	• •	••	 (Hon.	 W H	3 <i>Edo</i>	3	ŏ

Amendment proposed—That the figures " $6\frac{1}{2}$ " in line 6 be omitted.

-(Hon. W. C. Angliss.)

Question-That the figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the Second Schedule-put.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 12.

Extracted from the Minutes.

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1912.

No. 1. Boilers Inspection Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—Clause 5:—

In section forty-three of the Boilers Inspection Act 1906 the words "In this section the term 'inspector' includes any inspector of factories work-rooms or shops within the meaning of the Factories and Shops Acts" are hereby repealed.

'Motion made and question put—That clause 5 stand part of the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar,

W. J. Evans,

F. Hagelthorn,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

A. McLellan,

A. Robinson.

Tellers.

T. Beggs,

W. L. R. Clarke.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

A. A. Austin,

A. Hicks,

J. Y. McDonald,

D. Melville,

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

J. McWhae,

H. F. Richardson.

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FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS.

EXTENSION OF SPECIAL BOARDS TO COUNTRY DISTRICTS.

A RETURN showing the areas to which Determinations of Special Boards apply.

Ordered by the Legislative Council to be printed, 16th October, 1912.

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ALPHABETICAL LIST OF SPECIAL BOARDS CONSTITUTED IN VICTORIA.

Where the Determination has not yet come into force the name of the Board appears in italics.

The area to which the Determination applies or will apply appears opposite the name of each Board.

The Metropolitan District, wherever mentioned, embraces the municipal districts of Brighton, Brunswick, Camberwell, Caulfield, Coburg, Collingwood, Essendon, Fitzroy, Footscray, Hawthorn, Kew, Malvern, Melbourne, Northcote, Port Melbourne, Prahran, Preston, Richmond, South Melbourne, St. Kilda, and Williamstown, and the Box Hill and Surrey Hills Ridings of the Shire of Nunawading, and the Shire of Heidelberg, except the Greensborough Riding.

The Determination of the Hay, Chaff, Wood and Coal Board will be superseded by the Determinations of the Chaffcutters, the Fuel and Fodder, and the Country Fuel and Fodder Boards, as soon as they come into operation.

Board.	Extent of Application.
 Aerated Water Trade Agricultural Implements Artificial Manure 	 The Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts, all cities and towns, and the Boroughs of Eaglehawk, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell and Sebastopol The whole of the State with the exception of the township of Gisborne All cities and towns, the River Riding of the Shire of Braybrook, and such portions of the North Riding of the Shire of Braybrook, and the East Riding of the Shire of Moorabbin as are within 10 miles of a city or town
 Asphalters Bedstead Makers Boilermakers Board Boot Boot Dealers Brass Workers 	 As in No. 1 As in No. 1 The whole of the State of Victoria As in No. 1 As in No. 1 As in No. 1 As in No. 1

Board.			Extent of Application.
10. Bread			As in No. 1; also the Boroughs of Ararat, Buninyong, Castlemaine, Clunes, Creswick, Daylesford, Echuca, Hamilton, Horsham, Koroit, Maryborough, Oakleigh, Queenscliff, Sale, St. Arnaud, Stawell, and Wangaratta, the Shire
11. Bread Carters	••		of Buninyong, and the townships of Camperdown in the Shire of Hampden, and Great Western, in the Shire of Stawell All cities and towns, and the Boroughs of Eaglehawk, Geelong West,
12. Brewers 13. Bricklayers	• •		Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol As in No. 1 All cities and towns
14. Brick Trade	••		As in No. 1: also the Western Riding of the Shire of Bungaree, and the Mitcham Riding of the Shire of Nunawading
15. Brush Makers 16. Butchers	••		As in No. 1 As in No. 1
17. Candlemakers	••	٠.	As in No. 1
18. Cardboard Box Trade 19. Carpenters	• •		As in No. 1 As in No. 1; also the Borough of Oakleigh, the Barwon and Kardinia Ridings
•	••	••	of the Shire of South Barwon, the Moorpanyal Riding of the Shire of Corio, and such portions of the Shires of Braybrook and Moorabbin as are within 10 miles of a city or town
20. Carriage	•••	• •	Whole State of Victoria
22. Chaff cutters	••	• •	As in No. 1 The whole of the State
23. Cigar Trade	• •	٠.	As in No. 1
24. Clothing 25. Coal Miners	• •	• •	As in No. 1; also the Borough of Hamilton The whole of the State
26. Commercial Clerks	••		As in No. 1
27. Confectioners 28. Coopers	• •	• •	As in No. 1
28. Coopers 29. Cordage	• •	• •	As in No. 1 . As in No. 1
30. Country Agricultural In	nplements	• •	The whole of the State outside and excepting the areas shown in No. 1 and the Township of Gisborne
31. Country Flour	••	• •	The whole of the State, outside and excepting all cities, towns, and the Boroughs of Dunolly, Echuca, Horsham, Maryborough, Sale, Stawell, St. Arnaud, Talbot, Tarnagulla, and Wangaratta
32. Country Fuel and Fodd	er	• •	The whole of the State of Victoria, outside and excepting the area shown in No. 1
33. Country Printers	••	••	The whole of the State of Victoria outside and excepting all cities and towns in Victoria, the Boroughs of Eaglehawk, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol, and the Box Hill Riding of the Shire of Nunawading
34. Country Saddlery35. Country Shop Assistan36. Country Woodworkers	 ts 	•••	The whole of the State outside and excepting the areas shown in No. I The whole of the State outside and excepting the area shown in No. I The whole of the State of Victoria outside and excepting all cities and towns, the Boroughs of Eaglehawk, Echuca, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell, Sebastopol, the Shire of Heidelberg, the Box Hill Riding of the Shire of Nunawading, and the portion of the Shire of Corio within the fol- lowing boundaries, that is to say:—Commencing at the south-west angle of allotment 48 in the parish of Moorpanyal in the County of Grant; bounded thence by a road bearing north to the north bank of Cowie's Creek; thence easterly by the said bank of that creek to the Melbourne and Geelong railway line; thence south-westerly by that railway line to the south boundary of allotment 48 aforesaid and thence west by a road to the point of commencement.
37. Cycle Trade	• •		As in No. 1; also the Borough of Maryborough
38. Drapers 39. Dressmakers	• •	• •	As in No. 1 As in No. 1; also the Borough of Castlemaine
40. Electrical Installation	• •	• •	As in No. 1
41. Electroplaters 42. Engineering	••	• •	As in No. 1
43. Engravers	••	• •	As in No. 1; also the Borough of Castlemaine As in No. 1
44. Factory Engine-drivers	• •	• •	The whole of the State of Victoria
45. Farriers 46. Felbnongers 47. Flour	••		As in No. 1 As in No. 1; also the Barwon Riding of the Shire of South Barwon All cities and towns; and the Boroughs of Dunolly, Echuca, Horsham, Mary-
48. Fuel and Fodder			borough, Sale, Stawell, St. Arnaud, Talbot, Tarnagulla, and Wangaratta As in No. 1
49. Furniture Dealers 50. Furniture Trade—	•••	•••	As in No. 1
Cabinet-making, Cha &c.	ırs, Coucl	ies,	
Bedding, Wire-mattre pieces, Overmante Linoleums, &c.	esses, Man els, Carp		As in No. 1
51. Gardeners 52. Glass Workers	• •	• •	Metropolitan District and all cities
53. Gold Miners	• •		As in No. 1 The whole of the State
54. Grocers			As in No. 1
55. Grocers' Sundries 56. Hairdressers	• •	• •	As in No. 1
57. Ham and Bacon Curers	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• • •	As in No. 1 The whole of the State
58. Hardware			As in No. 1
 Hay, Chaff, Wood and Hotel Employés Board 	Coal	• •	The whole of the State As in No. 1
61. Ice	- •	• •	As in No. 1; also the Shire of Portland

Alphabetical List of Special Boards constituted in Victoria—continued.

Board.				Extent of Application.			
62.	Ironmoulders Boar	rd .		As in No. 1; also the Borough of Castlemaine; the Railway Riding of the Shire of Braybrook; and such portion of the Shire of Bungaree as is within 10 miles			
63.	Jam Trade			of a city or town As in No. 1			
	Jewellers		••	As in No. 1			
65.	Leather Goods			4 : 37 3			
	Lift		•• ••	1 1 7 7			
	Livery Stable		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Malt		•• ••	As in No. 1; also the Borough of Castlemaine and the Shires of Ballaarat and Buninyong			
	Marine Stores		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Men's Clothing		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	As in No. 1			
	Millet Broom Milliners		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Mining Engine-driv		••	As in No. 1			
	Night Watchmen		••	The whole of the State As in No. 1			
	Organ		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Ovenmakers		•••	As in No. 1			
77.	Painters			As in No. 1; also the Boroughs of Hamilton and Oakleigh, the East Riding of the Shire of Moorabbin, and such portions of the Moorpanyal Riding of the Shire of Corio and the West and South Ridings of the Shire of Moorabbin as are within 10 miles of a city or town			
78.	Paper Bag Trade			As in No. 1			
	Pastry Cooks		••	As in No. 1			
	Picture Frame			As in No. 1			
81.	Plasterers			As in No. 1			
82.	Plate Glass			As in No. 1			
	Plumbers			As in No. 1			
	Polish		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Pottery Trade		••	As in No. 1; also the Borough of Oakleigh, and such portion of the Mitcham Riding of the Shire of Nunawading as is with 10 miles of a city or town			
	Printers Board		••	As in No.1			
	Quarry		•• ••	As in No. 1; also such portions of the Shire of Braybrook and the East Riding of the Shire of Werribee as are within 10 miles of a city or town			
	Rubber Trade		•• :	As in No. 1			
	Saddlery		••	As in No. 1			
	Shirt Slaters and Tilers		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Slaughtering for Ex		•• ••	As in No. 1 All cities and towns			
	Soap and Soda			As in No. I; also such portion of the Shire of Strathfieldsaye as is within 10 miles of a city or town			
94.	Starch Board			Landa No. 1			
	Stationery			All cities and towns			
	Stone Cutters			As in No. 1; also such portion of the East Riding of the Shire of Werribee as			
97.	Tanners			is within 10 miles of a city or town As in No 1; also the Shires of Beechworth and Broadford, and such portion			
				of the Shire of South Barwon as is within 10 miles of a city or town			
	Tea Packing			As in No. 1			
	Tie Makers			As in No. 1			
	Tinsmiths			As in No. 1			
	Tramway			As in No. 1			
	Tuckpointers			As in No. 1; also the Borough of Oakleigh, and such portion of the Shire of Moorabbin as is within 10 miles of a city or town			
	Underclothing		•• ••	As in No. 1			
	Undertakers		••	As in No. 1 As in No. 1			
	Watchmakers		•• ••	As in No. 1			
100.	Waterproof Clothin Wholesale Grocers	<u></u> g	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	As in No. 1			
	Wicker			As in No. 1			
	Wire Workers			As in No. 1			
	Woodworkers			All cities and towns, and the Boroughs of Eaglehawk, Echuca, Geelong West, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol; the Shire of Heidelberg; the Box Hill Riding of the Shire of Nunawading; and the portion of the Shire of Corio within the following boundaries, that is to say:—Commencing at the south-west angle of allotment 48 in the parish of Moorpanyal in the County of Grant; bounded thence by a road bearing north to the north bank of Cowie's Creek; thence easterly by the said bank of that creek to the Melbourne and Geelong railway line; thence south-westerly by that railway line to the south boundary of allotment 48 aforesaid and thence west by a road to the point of commencement			
111.	Woollen Trade		••	As in No. 1; also the Borough of Castlemaine, and such portion of the Shire of Bungaree as is within 10 miles of a city or town			

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