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PROCEEDINGS ON BILLS.

Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment: Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes"—(Mr. Mackey). -Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 1 Oct., 1907, p. 94; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment, 22 Oct., p. 118; order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted; reconsidered in Committee and reported with further amendments, 21 Nov., p. 155; report considered—amendments agreed to and further amendments made; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 3 Dec., pp. 172-3; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 4 Dec., p. 176; Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill received from the Council with a Message notifying their agreement to the amendment and requesting concurrence; amendment agreed to, 11 Dec., p. 191. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2120.)

ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES: Bill relating to duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts—(Mr. Bent).—Resolution from the Committee of Ways and Means extending the period for the operation of the Administration and Probate Acts to the real and personal property of every person dying between the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and nine, reported and agreed to and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 87; read the third time with amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Sept., p. 91; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 1 Oct., p. 93; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 8 Oct., p. 104. (Assented to 8 October. Act No. 2089.)

ADULT SUFFRAGE: Bill to provide for adult suffrage—(Mr. Prendergast).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated, on resolution of the House, and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1907, p. 66; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time with amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Oct., p. 110; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 13 Nov., p. 142; amendments considered and agreed to, 20 Nov., p. 148. (Assented to 3 December. Act No. 2104.)

ANCIENT LIGHTS DECLARATORY: Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights"—(Mr. Bayles).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 10 Sept., 1907, p. 74; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 19 Sept., p. 90. (Assented to 8 October. Act No. 2087.)

Appropriation: Bill 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 eight, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 4 Dec., 1907, p. 176; further considered in Committee, p. 177; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment, p. 177; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 5 Dec., p. 180; the Council's agreement notified, 5 Dec., p. 181. (Assented to 10 December. Act No. 2108.)

AUSTRALASIAN DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING: Bill to vest in "The Old Colonists Association" land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the "Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association" is the Crown grantee in pursuance of an agreement between the said associations and for other purposes—(Mr. Boyd).

—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Nov., 1907, p. 147. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 10 Dec., p. 186.

BRIM REGISTERS: Bill intituled "An Act to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim"—(Mr. Mackinnon).—
Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 13 Aug., 1907, p. 50; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 29 Aug., p. 66. (Assented to 24 September. Act No. 2084.)

CHAFF CUTTERS (PROTECTION OF WORKMEN):
Bill for the protection of persons employed in connexion with chaff cutters—(Mr. McGregor).—
Initiated and read a first time, 12 Sept., 1907, p. 78.—Bill lapsed.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMEND-MENT: Bill to further amend the Closer Settlement Act 1904.—(Mr. Swinburne for Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 6 Dec., 1907, p. 183; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Dec., p. 195; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 206. (Assented to 23 December, Act 'No. 2128.) CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS AMENDMENT (COMPULSORY PURCHASE): Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts so as to introduce the principle of compulsory purchase—(Mr. Prendergast).——Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, on division, 19 Sept., pp. 89-90; debate resumed and adjourned, 10 Oct., p. 109.—Bill lapsed.

Collins-street Independent Church Lands: Bill to define the trusts and powers affecting certain lands held in trust for the Collins-street Independent Church—(Mr. Mackey).—On motion, all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, except those relating to the payment of fees, dispensed with with the view of introducing the Bill; Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Oct., 1907, p. 104; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Oct., p. 116; the Council's agreement notified, 30 Oct., p. 127. (Assented to 6 November. Act No. 2096.)

Companies Acts further Amendment: Bill to further amend the Companies Acts—(Mr. Mackinnon).—Initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1907, p. 7; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 July, pp. 29-30; the Council's agreement notified, 13 Aug., p. 49. (Assented to 13 August. Act No. 2079.)

Consolidated Revenue (Bill No. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million and twenty-five thousand seven hundred and forty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight—(Mr. McLeod).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 July, 1907, p. 11; the Council's agreement notified, 16 July, p. 15. (Assented to 11 July. Act No. 2076.)

Consolidated Revenue (BILL No. 2): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven—(Mr. McLeod).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 24 July, 1907, p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 30 July, p. 35. (Assented to 31 July. Act No. 2077.)

Consolidated Revenue (Bill No. 3): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 4 Sept., 1907, p. 71; the Council's agreement notified, 11 Sept., p. 75. (Assented to 12 September. Act No. 2082.)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 4): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eighty-eight thousand

seven hundred and eighty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Oct., 1907, p. 101; the Council's agreement notified, 9 Oct., p. 107. (Assented to 11 October. Act No. 2091.)

Consolidated Revenue Application: Bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July, One thousand nine hundred and eight—(Mr. Bent).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 33) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 Nov., 1907, pp. 165-6; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 5 Dec., p. 181; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Dec., p. 187. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2115.)

Conveyancing Act 1904 Amendment: Bill to amend the Conveyancing Act 1904—(Mr. Mackinnon).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 6 Dec., 1907, p. 183; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 10 Dec., p. 186. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 12 Dec., p. 197.

COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS: Bill to empower the Courts of Mines and County Courts in the country to deal with special cases stated by a Warden and orders to review under the Justices Acts—(Mr. Outtrim).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Aug., 1907, p. 55; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 10 Oct., p. 109.—Bill lapsed.

DANDENONG LANDS ACT 1892 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend section seven of the Dandenong Lands Act 1892—(Mr. Keast).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 34; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion (by leave), That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, in accordance with Standing Order No. 131 relating to Private Bills, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, and with an amended title, viz.:—"A Bill to amend the ' Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes"; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Oct., p. 115; the Council's agreement notified, 30 Oct., p. 127; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 27) recommending amendments in the Bill; amendments agreed to; the Message transmitted to the Council and their concurrence requested, 12 Nov., p. 137; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 12 Nov., p. 138. (Assented to 18 November. Act No. 2097.)

DEFAULT SUMMONSES SERVICE FEES: Bill to provide for the payment of fees for the service of certain default summonses—(Mr. Mackinnon).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907,

p. 21; read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 30 July, pp. 34-5; the Council's agreement notified, 14 Aug., p. 53; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 12) recommending an amendment in the Bill; amendment agreed to; the Message transmitted to the Council and their concurrence requested, 21 Aug., p. 59; the Council's agreement to the amendment notified, 28 Aug., p. 63. (Assented to 10 September. Act No. 2081.)

Dentistrs: Bill to further amend the law relating to dentistry—(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 6 Aug., 1907, p. 41.

REGISTRATION FEES.—House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the registration fees to be charged under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the amount of registration fees chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 14 Aug., p. 53.

Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 4 Dec., p. 177.

Drainage of Land Act 1890 Amendment: Bill to amend the *Drainage of Land Act* 1890—(Mr. J. Cameron).—Initiated and read a first time and passed without amendment, 12 Dec., 1907, p. 196; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 207. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2134.)

Drainage of Land: Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to scour cleanse and keep open certain Drains constructed by Owners of Lands"—(Mr. J. Cameron).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 29 Oct., 1907, p. 126; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendment desired, 11 Dec., p. 193; the Council's agreement to the amendment notified, 12 Dec., p. 196. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2121.)

Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration): Bill to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in-Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Oct., 1907, p. 123; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Nov., p. 143; the Council's agreement notified, 4 Dec., p. 176. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2111.)

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment: Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts—(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 31 July, 1907, p. 37; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 2 Oct., p. 98; further considered in Committee, 8 Oct., p. 104; 9 Oct., p. 107; 7 Nov., p. 134; 12 Nov., p. 138; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 6; reconsidered in Committee, 13 Nov., p. 142; further reconsidered in Committee, 14 Nov., p. 144; further reconsidered in Committee and reported with a further amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and further amendments made,

19 Nov., p. 146; read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Nov., pp. 149-151; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 21 Nov., p. 155; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 12 Dec., p. 196; amendments considered—some agreed to and others disagreed with, 13 Dec., pp. 200-201; the Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, but have amended one, 17 Dec., p. 207; the Assembly insist on disagreeing with some of the Council's amendments made and insisted on, do not insist on disagreeing with others, insist on disagreeing with the Council's amendment to omit paragraph (a) of clause 7 but amend the said paragraph, and insist on disagreeing with the Council's amendment to omit clause 18, but make amendments in the said clause, 17 Dec., pp. 208-9; the Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on others, do not insist on two, but agree to the Assembly's amendments on amendments of the Council, and still insist on their amendment in clause 2 with an amendment; disagreement with the amendments still insisted on by the Council not now insisted on, and disagreement with the Council's amendment in clause 2 not now insisted on, but an amendment made, 18 Dec., pp. 211-2; the Council agree to the Assembly's amendment on their amendment in clause 2, 19 Dec., p. 213. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2137.)

FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1905 (No. 2) AMEND-MENT (SUNDAY LABOUR): Bill to repeal section thirty of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2) for the purposes of abolishing Sunday afternoon labour for milkmen and their employés— (Mr. Lemmon).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 34.—Bill lapsed.

FACTORIES (EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE): Bill relating to the employment of Chinese in factories or work-rooms—(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Aug., 1907, p. 45.

FEES.—House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the amount of licence-fees chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 14 Aug., p. 54.

Petition from certain Chinese residents of Victoria, praying that they may be heard by counsel at the Bar of the House relative to the Bill and the matters contained in the petition, and that the House would grant such relief as it may deem just, presented, 17 Sept., p. 81; order for second reading read—petition read, and motion, that the petitioners be heard by counsel at the Bar of the House agreed to; order for second reading of the Bill postponed, 15 Oct., p. 112; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "On the 15th October instant the House was pleased to take into consiedration the petition presented on the 17th September last by the Honorable Member for St. Kilda from certain Chinese residents of Victoria, praying that they may be heard by counsel at the Bar relative to this Bill and the matters contained in the petition, and at the instance of the Honorable the Premier the House was pleased to grant leave to the petitioners to be so heard on the second reading of the Bill.

Learned counsel are now in attendance awaiting the pleasure of the House"; counsel called in and heard at the Bar of the House; order for second reading of the Bill further postponed, 29 Oct., p. 125.—Bill lapsed.

FARRIERS: Bill to establish a Farriers Board and to regulate the practice of farriery in Victoria—(Mr. Bent for Mr. Bayles).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Aug., 1907, p. 55.—Bill lapsed.

Fences Act 1890 Amendment: Bill to amend the Fences Act 1890—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 21 Nov., 1907, p. 153. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 4 Dec., p. 177.

FORESTS: Bill to provide for the management and protection of State forests—(Mr. McLeod).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 20; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 13 Aug., p. 49; debate resumed and adjourned, 29 Aug., p. 66; debate continued-Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 3 Sept., p. 67; further considered in Committee, 4 Sept., p. 71; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; recommitted for the reconsideration of clauses 10, 11, and 15; reconsidered in Committee and reported with further amendments, 10 Sept., p. 73; report considered - amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Sept., pp. 78-9; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 17 Sept., p. 82; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 22 Oct., p. 118; amendments considered and agreed to, 23 Oct., pp. 119-20. (Assented to 6 Nevember. Act. No. 2095.)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts—(Mr. Glass).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment: Bill to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts ——(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 21; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 6 Aug., p. 41; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 11 Sept., p. 75; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Sept., p. 79; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 17 Sept., p. 82; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 12 Nov., p. 138; amendments considered—some agreed to and others agreed to with amendments, 21 Nov., p. 155; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's amendments on their amendments notified, 27 Nov., p. 163. (Assented to 3 December. Act No. 2107.)

GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Game Act 1890—(Mr. Outtrim).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Aug., 1907, p. 55.—Bill lapsed.

GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST: Bill to provide for the constitution of a municipal waterworks trust for the supply of water to Geelong and district and for other purposes—(Mr. Swinburne).—Initiated and read a first time, 25 July, 1907. p. 29; Message from His Excellency the

Lieutenant-Governor (No. 10) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of rates and charges for the purposes of the Bill, 13 Aug., p. 49; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution appropriating revenue and rates and charges reported and agreed to, 13 Aug., p. 50.

RATES AND CHARGES.—(On motion, by leave)
House resolved itself into Committee of
the whole to consider the rates and charges
under the Bill; matter considered; Mr.
Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing
Orders suspended and resolution fixing the
rates and charges chargeable under the
Bill reported and agreed to, 13 Aug.,
p. 50.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 13 Aug., p. 50; further considered in Committee, 14 Aug., p. 54; 15 Aug., p. 56; 20 Aug., p. 57; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 21 Aug., p. 60; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time, on division; amendment proposed and postponed, 27 Aug., p. 62; amendments further considered and Bill further amended; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Sept., pp. 82-4; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 13 Nov., p. 142; amendments considered—some agreed to, others agreed to with amendments, and one disagreed with, 27 Nov., p. 160; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, and agree to the Assembly's amendments on the amendments of the Council, 28 Nov., p. 169. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2109.)

GOBUR LAND: Bill to provide for the revocation of the permanent reservation of portion of certain land reserved as a site for race-course and other purposes of public recreation at Gobur—(Mr. Mackey for Mr. Boyd).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 4 Dec., p. 177.

GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the law relating to gold buyers—(Mr. Bent for Mr. McLeod).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 11 Dec., p. 192; debate resumed and adjourned, 13 Dec., p. 202.

FEES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the fees chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 17 Dec., p. 205.

Debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 17 Dec., p. 206; further considered in Committee, 17 Dec., p. 208, p. 210; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 211; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 19 Dec., p. 213; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments agreed to, 19 Dec., pp. 213-4. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2138.)

GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION: Bill to reduce the sum appropriated for the payment of the Governor's salary—(Mr. Toutcher).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question, on division, negatived, 12 Sept., p. 78.

HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Health Acts"—
(Mr. Mackey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 4 Dec., 1907, p. 177; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendment desired, 10 Dec., p. 186; the Council's agreement to the amendment notified, 13 Dec., p. 203. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2126.)

HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS: Bill to provide for hospitals and charitable institutions in Victoria—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Oct., 1907, p. 123. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

Income Tax: Bill to declare the rates of income tax for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and eight, and to continue the Income Tax Acts—(Mr. Bent).—Resolution from the Committee of Ways and Means declaring the rates of duties for the year 1908 reported and agreed to and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 18 Sept., 1907, pp. 86-7; order for third reading discharged and Bill recommitted; reconsidered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Sept., pp. 90-91; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Oct., p. 104. (Assented to 8 October. Act No. 2090.)

INDETERMINATE SENTENCES: Bill to provide for indeterminate sentences and for the detention and control of habitual and other criminals—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 6 Aug., 1907, p. 41; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment, 13 Nov., p. 141; report considered—cmendment agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Nov., pp. 147-8; the Council's agreement notified, 27 Nov., p. 162. (Assented to 3 December. Act No. 2106.)

Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment:
Bill to amend the Infant Life Protection Act
1890—(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and
read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 20; read a
second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 22 Oct.,
p. 118; report considered—amendments agreed
to and Bill read the third time with a further
amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Oct., p. 120; the Council's
agreement notified, 20 Nov., p. 151. (Assented
to 18 November. Act No. 2102.)

JUSTICES (ORDERS TO REVIEW): Bill intituled "An Act relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices"—(Mr. Bent).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Nov., 1907, p. 145; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 21 Nov., p. 156. (Assented to 3 December. Act No. 2105.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING): Bill intituled "An Act to alter the Hour of Closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections"—(Mr. Prendergast).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 12 Nov., 1907, p. 138; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 13 Nov., p. 141. (Assented to 18 November. Act No. 2099.)

LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Licensing Acts—(Mr. A. A. Billson).—Initiated and read a first time. 30 July, 1907, p. 33; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 10 Oct., p. 109.—Bill lapsed.

Licensing Acts and for other purposes—(Mr. Bent for Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Nov., 1907, p. 147; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 26 Nov., p. 158; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time with amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 Nov., p. 159; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments considered—some agreed to, and one agreed to with an amendment, 28 Nov., pp. 167-8; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's amendment on their amendment notified, 28 Nov., p. 169. (Assented to 29 November. Act No. 2103.)

I.ICENSING COURT CONSTITUTION (COMPENSATION FEES): Bill to provide that any member of a licensing court may constitute the licensing court for the purpose of fixing compensation fees—(Mr. Hutchinson for Mr. Bowser).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Local Government Act* 1903—(Mr. McGregor).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 34; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question, on division, negatived, 8 Aug., p. 47.

I.OCAI. GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1903 and for other purposes—(Mr. McLeod for Mr. E. H. Cameron).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 86. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 4 Dec., p. 177.

Longwarry Lands Reclassification: Bill to authorize the Board of Classifiers under the Land Acts to reclassify certain lands held by settlers at Longwarry and for other purposes—(Mr. Keast).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 34; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 12 Sept., p. 78; debate resumed—question negatived, 13 Dec., p. 202.

LOTTERIES GAMING AND BETTING ACT 1906

AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Lotteries Gaming
and Betting Act 1906—(Mr. Elmslie).—Initiated
and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill
lapsed.

MALLEE LEASES EXTENSION: Bill to further extend the term of certain mallee allotment leases --(Mr. Mackey).--Initiated and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Nov., p. 167; the Council's agreement notified, 4 Dec., p. 177. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2114.)

Mandurang Land Resumption: Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the parish of Mandurang—(Mr. Mackey).— Initiated and read a first time, 16 Oct., 1907, p. 113; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Oct., p. 116; the Council's agreement notified, 13 Nov., p. 141. (Assented to 18 November. Act No. 2098.)

MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 — (Sir Alexander Peacock).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 20; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 30 July, p. 35; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment, 6 Aug., p. 42; report considered and amendment agreed to and further amendments made; Bill read the third time with a further amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Aug., pp. 45-6; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 1 Oct., p. 94; amendments considered and agreed to, 8 Oct., pp. 104-5. (Assented to 22 Ociober. Act No. 2092.)

MARRIAGE LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to validate the marriage of a man with his deceased wife's niece --(Mr. McGregor for Mr. Toutcher).

- Initiated and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1907, p. 65.---Bill lapsed.

MEDICAL ACT 1890 (PART III.) AMENDMENT: Bill to amend Part. III. of the Medical Act 1890—(Mr. Glass).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Aug., 1907, p. 55.—Bill lapsed.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE: Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law with respect to Medical Evidence in Civil Cases"—(Mr. Mackey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, I Oct., 1907, p. 94; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 10 Oct., p. 110. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the Mines Acts—(Mr. Bent for Mr. McLeod).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 35) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 4 Dec., p. 175; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 5 Dec., p. 180; further considered in Committee, 10 Dec., p. 185, p. 186.

SLUDGE ABATEMENT CHARGES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the advisability of giving power to the sludge abatement trusts by by-laws to make and

levy sludge abatement charges under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution giving sludge abatement trusts power by by-laws to make and levy upon the several bodies and persons entitled to be represented on such trusts a charge to be called a sludge abatement charge, and that such charge may vary in amount whether as regards the several classes of such bodies or persons or the individual members of any class or any individual persons reported and agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 186.

Bill further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 187; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 11 Dec., p. 189; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments agreed to, 13 Dec., pp. 202-3. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2127.)

Moe and Walhalla Railway Loading: Bill to provide for the loading of land in the Moe and Walhalla Railway Construction District—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 6 Dec., 1907, p. 183; read a second time and committed, 13 Dec., p. 202.

Construction and Loading Rates.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the construction and loading rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—further consideration postponed, 13 Dec., p. 202; further considered in Committee, 17 Dec., p. 207.—Bill lapsed.

Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment: Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906'"—(Mr. Bent).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Nov., 1907, p. 145; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendment desired, 21 Nov., p. 156; the Council agree to the Assembly's amendment with a consequential amendment, 27 Nov., p. 163; amendment considered—consequential amendment of the Council on the Assembly's amendment agreed to, 3 Dec., p. 172. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2110.)

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION: Bill for the incorporation of an association called the Municipal Association of Victoria — (Mr. McLeod).—On motion, all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, including those relating to the payment of fees, dispensed with with the view of introducing the Bill; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 20; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 6 Aug., p. 42; read the third time with amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Aug., p. 45; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Aug., p. 58. (Assented to 27 August. Act No. 2080.)

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES: Bill relating to municipal endowment and the reclassification of shires—(Mr. E. H. Cameron). Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 3) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair - Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1907, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 30 July, p. 31; debate resumed and adjourned, 6 Aug., p. 42; debate continued - Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 7 Aug., p. 46. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 162.

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES AND BOROUGHS: Bill relating to municipal endowment and the reclassification of shires and boroughs—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 162; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 34) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 3 Dec., p. 171; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair-Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Dec., p. 190; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 12 Dec., p. 195; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 17 Dec., p. 206. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2129.)

MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE): Bill to amend the *Local Government Act* 1903 so as to provide for the optional rating by municipalities on the unimproved values of rateable property—(*Mr. Holden*).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

MUNICIPALITIES' POWERS EXTENSION: Bill to empower municipal councils to provide and maintain sheep dips and to contribute towards public agricultural and other schools and colleges—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 5 Dec., 1907, p. 179; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 10 Dec., p. 186; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Dec., p. 195; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 210. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2135.)

Murray River Waters: Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes—(Mr. Swinburne).— Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 4) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1907, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25 July, p. 30; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered

in Committee, 17 Sept., p. 82. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 4 Dec., p. 177.

Murray Settlement: Bill to provide for settlement on certain Crown lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes—(Mr. Mackinnon for Mr. Swinburne).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 86; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 28) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 20 Nov., p. 149; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 28 Nov., p. 167; further considered in Committee, 28 Nov., p. 168.

IRRIGATION CHARGES .-- (On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the advisability of giving power to the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission to make bylaws apportioning and fixing the irrigation charges to be made and levied under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair-Standing Orders suspended and resolution giving power to the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission by by-law to apportion and fix annual irrigation charges, and make and levy the same on the occupiers or owners of all homestead allotments or parts thereof supplied with water under the Bill and to reduce the same during the first four years, reported and agreed to, 28 Nov., p. 168.

Bill further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Nov., p. 168; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments agreed to; 13 Dec., p. 200. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2123.)

NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Nyora to Woolamai—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161; read a second time and committed, 11 Dec., p. 190.

Construction and Loading Rates.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the construction and loading rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution giving the Railway Construction Trust power to make and levy construction and loading rates reported and agreed to, 11 Dec., p. 190.

Bill considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Dec., p. 190; the Council's agreement notified, 13 Dec., p. 203. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2125.)

OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE: Bill to increase the maximum rate of old-age pensions—(Mr. Bent).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; gonsidered in Com-

mittee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 85; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee; further considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Sept., p. 90; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Oct., p. 104. (Assented to 8 October. Act. No. 2088.)

OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING: Bill to vest in "The Old Colonists Association" situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the "Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association is the Crown grantee in pursuance of an agreement between the said associations and for other purposes--(Mr. Boyd).--(On motion, by leave) All Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, including those relating to the payment of fees, dispensed with with the view of introducing the Bill; Bill initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1907, p. 186; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Dec., pp. 191-2; the Council's agreement notified, 12 Dec., p. 196; report from the Clerk of the Parliaments of a clerical error in the Bill; error corrected and the Council's concurrence with correction desired, 13 Dec., p. 202; Council's agreement in correction of clerical error notified, 17 (Assented to 16 December. Dec., p. 206. No. 2122.)

Police Offences: Bill intituled "An Act to amend ihe Police Offences Acts"—(Mr. Mackey).—
Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 13 Aug., 1907, pp. 49-50; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 1 Oct., p. 94; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 2 Oct., p. 97; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 9 Oct., p. 107. (Assented to 22 October. Act No. 2093.)

PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTI-TUTION: Bill for the confirmation of an agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust-(Mr. Bayles). - Motion, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with with the view of introducing the Bill-debate adjourned, 27 Nov., 1907, 160; debate resumed-motion agreed to and Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Dec., p. 180; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 11 Dec., p. 192; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; (on motion, by leave) one-half of all fees incurred by the promoters of the Bill remitted, 13 Dec., p. 201; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 17 Dec., p. 207. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2130.)

RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read

a first time, 28 Nov., 1907, p. 166; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 5 Dec., p. 181; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Dec., p. 187. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2117.)

RAILWAY LOAN: Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and other purposes—(Mr. Bent).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 32) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 Nov., 1907, p. 165; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 5 Dec., p. 180; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, p. 180; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Dec., p. 187. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2116.)

RAILWAY OFFICERS TRANSFER: Bill relating to the transfer of certain officers from the Railway Service to the Public Service—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 86; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 22 Oct., p. 118. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS: Bill to establish two permanent railway reserve funds—(Mr. Bent).— Initiated and read a first time, 30 Oct., 1907, p. 127; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 25) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 6 Nov., p. 131; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 13 Dec., p. 199; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 207. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2133.)

RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the laws relating to the Victorian railways -(Mr. Swinburne).—Initiated and read a first time, 25 July, 1907, p. 29; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 8) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair--Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 31 July, p. 37; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with a further amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 31 July, p. 38; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 17 Sept., p. 82; amendments consideredtwo agreed to and one postponed, 2 Oct., pp. 97-8; further considered postponed amendment disagreed with, 27 Nov., p. 161; the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause B disagreed with by the Assembly, 28 Nov., p. 169; amendment considered disagreement with the Council's amendment to insert new clause B not insisted on, 3 Dec., p. 173; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 37) recommending amendments in the Bill; amendments agreed to;

the Message transmitted to the Council and their concurrence requested, 10 Dec., p. 185; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 11 Dec., p. 191. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2119.)

RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMEND-MENT: Bill to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts—(Mr. Bent).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 30) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee, 26 Nov., 1907, p. 157; further considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Dec., p. 180; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 10 Dec., p. 185; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Dec., p. 190; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 207. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2131.)

REAL PROPERTY (LIMITATION OF ACTIONS): Bill intituled "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes"—(Mr. Mackey).

-Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 6 Aug., 1907, p. 42; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 21 Aug., p. 60; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 27 Aug., p. 62; further considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to, 28 Aug., p. 63; Bill read the third time with a further amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 29 Aug., p. 66; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 17 Sept., p. 82. (Assented to 24 September. Act No. 2086.)

REFERENDUM: Bill to provide for the adoption of the referendum—(Mr. Outtrim).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890—(Mr. Toutcher).— Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Sept., p. 78.— Bill not returned from the Council.

ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS: Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes—(Mr. Bennett).—Motion, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with with the view of introducing the Bill. The Report of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills indorsed on the petition as to the petitioners' compliance with the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, and recommending that full compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 be dispensed with, was

read by the Clerk-Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to Private Bills thereupon dispensed with so far as regards the Bill; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Sept., 1907, p. 89; read a second time and committed to a Select Departmental Reports from the Crown Solicitor and the Commissioner of Titles, together with a memorandum from the Parliamentary Draftsman, with reference to the Bill laid upon the Table and referred to the Select Committee, 10 Oct., p. 109; Committee appointed, and leave given to print the evidence taken before such Committee, 24 Oct., p. 123; report, &c., presented, 31 Oct., p. 129; report considered—amendments made by Select Committee agreed to, and also amended title, viz.:

—"A Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes"; Standing Orders Nos. 130 and 148 relating to Private Bills dispensed with; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; (on motion) one-half of all fees incurred by the promoters of the Bill remitted, 7 Nov., p. 133; Message from the Legislative Council requesting copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee on the Bill; ordered-That copies be transmitted to the Legislative Council, 12 Nov., p. 138; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 13 Nov., p. 141. (Assented to 18 November. Act No. 2100.)

RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 4 Dec., 1907, p. 175; read a second time and committed, 11 Dec., p. 190.

Construction and Loading Rates.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the construction and loading rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair Standing Orders suspended and resolution giving the Railway Construction Trust power to make and levy construction and loading rates reported and agreed to, it Dec., p. 191.

Bill considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Dec., p. 191; the Council's agreement notified, 13 Dec., p. 203. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2124.)

Savings Banks act further Amendment: Bill to further amend the Savings Banks Acts—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 Oct., 1907, p. 113; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 23) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 22 Oct., p. 117. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

Scaffolding Inspection: Bill to provide for the inspection of scaffolding and for other purposes—(*Mr. Elmslie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1907, p. 33.—Bill lapsed.

Scripture Lessons Referendum: Bill to authorize the taking of a referendum on Scripture lessons in State schools—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Nov., 1907, p. 147; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 31) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 26 Nov., p. 157; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 27 Nov., p. 161; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, p. 161; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, p. 162; further considered in Committee, 5 Dec., p. 181; 10 Dec., p. 187; 12 Dec., p. 196; 13 Dec., p. 199. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 13 Dec., p. 199.

SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS: Bill intituled "An Act amending and declaring the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Land"—(Mr. Mackey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 29 Oct., 1907, p. 126. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

SHEARERS' HUT ACCOMMODATION: Bill to insure the better provision of hut accommodation for shearers and others—(Mr. McGrath).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Aug., 1907, p. 55.—Bill lapsed.

Sherwood Reserve Revocation: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain lands in the parish of Sherwood as sites for military and other public purposes—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Sept., 1907, p. 86; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Oct., p. 116; the Council's agreement notified, 13 Nov., p. 142. (Assented to 18 November. Act No. 2101.)

STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the Stamps Acts—(Mr. Mackinnon).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Aug., 1907, p. 45. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Aug., p. 60.

STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 2): Bill to further amend the Stamps Acts—(Mr.Mackinnon).-House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the expediency of securing the taking out of an annual licence under section thirty-one of the Stamps Act 1802 by the extension of the meaning of the word "declaration" in such section; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair-Standing Orders suspended and resolution extending the meaning of the word "declaration" reported and agreed to and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 21 Aug., 1907, p. 60; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Oct., p. 110; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 15 Oct., p. III. Bill not returned from the Council.

STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND: Bill to authorize the re-vesting in the Crown of certain land granted to trustees as and for a road and approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a site for a toll-house and out offices in connexion with such bridge, the cancellation of the Crown

grant, and for other purposes—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated and read a first time, 31 Oct., 1907, p. 129; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Nov., p. 148; the Council's agreement notified, 4 Dec., p. 176. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2112.)

SURPLUS REVENUE: Bill relating to the surplus revenue of the financial year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seven—(Mr. Bent).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 13) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ---Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 27. Aug., pp. 61-2; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Aug., p. 63; the Council's agreement notified, II Sept., p. 75. (Assented to 24 September. Act No. 2085.)

TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of portion of certain land reserved as a site for public purposes at Terang—(Mr. Mackey).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 11 Dec., 1907, p. 193; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Dec., p. 196; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 207. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2132.)

TOBACCO SELLERS: Bill relating to sellers of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, and snuff—(Mr. Bent).
—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Oct., 1907, p. 111. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Nov., p. 159.

TOCUMWAL RAILWAY EXTENSION: Bill to authorize the construction of an extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales-(Mr. Swinburne).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 5) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1907, p. 15; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 July, p. 30; the Council's agreement rotified, 6 Aug., p. 43. (Assented to 13 August. Act No. 2078.)

Tolmie and Toombullup Land Settlement and Railway Construction: Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for closer settlement in the Tolmie and Toombullup District, and to authorize the construction by the State of railways for developing such land and the Crown lands in the said district—(Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 14 Nov., 1907, p. 143; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 38) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue, and also of rents, fees, royalties, rates, dues, and charges, for the

purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 11 Dec., p. 192.

Loading and Rating Charges.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the loading of Crown and forest lands, and the charging of railway rates on private lands under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution giving the Governor in Council and the Board of Land and Works power to load all Crown and forest lands, and to charge railway rates on all private lands in the Tolmie Railway Construction District reported and agreed to, 11 Dec., p. 192.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 11 Dec., p. 193; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments, and a new title, viz.:—"A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for Developing Settlement in the Tolmie District and for other purposes"; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 13 Dec., p. 202; report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 13 Dec., p. 203; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments agreed to, 17 Dec., pp. 207-8. (Assented to 23 December. Act No. 2136.)

TOOBORAC TRAMWAY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION:
Bill for the ratification of an agreement with regard to the Tooborac tramway—(Mr. Swinburne).
—Initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1907, p. 20; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; further consideration postponed, 30 July, p. 35; motion, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill; question, on division, not affirmed by a three-fourths majority, in accordance with the requirements of Standing Order No. 131 relating to Private Bills. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 31 July, p. 38.

Transfer of Land (Attesting Documents): Bill intituled "An Act relating to Attesting Documents under the Transfer of Land Act 1890" — (Mr. Mackey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 1 Oct., 1907, p. 95; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 22 Oct., p. 117. (Assented to 6 November. Act No. 2094.)

VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT: Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906'"—(Mr. Mackey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 13 Aug., 1907, p. 50; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 29 Aug., p. 66. (Assented to 24 September. Act No. 2083.)

VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE:
Bill to further continue the Voting by Post Acts—
(Sir Alexanåer Peacock).—Initiated and read a

first time, 27 Nov., 1907, p. 161; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Nov., p. 167; the Council's agreement notified, 4 Dec., p. 176. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2113.)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for water supply in country districts and for other purposes (Mr. Bent).—Initiated (on motion, by leave) and read a first time, 28 Nov., 1907, p. 167; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 5 Dec., p. 181; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 6 Dec., p. 183; the Council's agreement notified, 12 Dec., p. 196. (Assented to 16 December. Act No. 2118.)

Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction: Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for closer settlement in the western part of Victoria, and to authorize the construction by the State of railways for developing such land and for other purposes—(Mr. Mackey).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 7) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill. 25 July, 1907, p. 29; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 July, p. 35; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 Aug., p. 56; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed, 15 Oct., p. 112; considered in Committee, 16 Oct., p. 113; further considered in Committee, 24 Oct., p. 123; 29 Oct., p. 126; 6 and 7 Nov., p. 132.

RAILWAY RATES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the railway rates to be charged under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution prescribing an annual railway rate on the owner of all private land not acquired by the Crown which is within eleven miles of any railway station in the Western District Area as described in the Schedule to the Bill reported and agreed to, 7 Nov., p. 132.

Bill further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 7 Nov., p. 132; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time, on division, with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 8 Nov., pp. 135-6.—Bill not returned from the Council.

Workers' Accidents Compensation: Bill to provide for compensation to workers for injuries suffered in the course of their employment—(Mr. Machimon).—Initiated and read a first time, 8 Oct., 1907, p. 104.—Bill lapsed.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

SESSION 1907.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Under Section 20 of Act No. 1864, assented to 26th November, 1903, the Legislative Assembly consisted of Sixty-eight Members, but under Act No. 2075, assented to 26th January, 1907, the number of Members was reduced to Sixty-five.

TWENTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT.

FIRST SESSION (9TH JULY, 1907, TO 19TH DECEMBER, 1907).

		No. of Electors			lectors wl oted.	10	Infor-	Votes Polled	Proportion
Member.	District.	on Rolls.	Rate- payers.	Non- Rate- payers.	Voters' Certificates.	Total.	mal.	for Sitting Mem- ber.*	of Electors who Voted.
Anstev, Frank, Esquire	Brunswick	5,330	3,134	661	82	3,877	17	2,313	72.73
Argyle, Reginald Ivon, Esquire	Dalhousie	3,346	2,108	5 03	10	2,621	14	1,315	7 8·33
Bayles, Norman, Esquire	Toorak	4,751	1,926	415	4	2,345	9	1,524	49.36
Beazley, William David, Esquire	Abbotsford	4,304	2,292	433	10	2,735	15	1,896	63.54
Bennett, George Henry, Esquire 1	Richmond	5,091	2,724	748	12	3,484	11	1,576	68.43
Bent, The Honorable Thomas ²	Brighton	4,121				•••			Unopposed
Billson, Alfred Arthur, Esquire	Ovens	3,035	1,597	407		2,004	38	1,327	66.03
Billson, John William, Esquire	Fitzroy	4,269	2,256	458	7	2,721	18	1,502	63.74
Bowser, John, Esquire 3	Wangaratta	3,735	1,910	416		2,326	12	1,399	$62 \cdot 27$
Boyd, The Honorable James Arthur †	Melbourne	5,918	2,226	589	6	2,821	9	1,820	47.67
Bromley, Frederick Hadkinson, Esquire	Carlton	4,439	1,949	616	5	$2,\!570$	27	1,338	57.89
Cameron, The Honorable Ewen Hugh 5	Evelyn	3,641		•••		•••	•••		Unopposed
Cameron, James, Esquire	Gippsland East	3,101	1,485	470	8	1,963	5	1,272	63.30
Campbell, Hugh John Munro, Esquire	Glenelg	3,600	· • • •			•••	•••		Unopposed
Carlisle, John Joseph, Esquire	Benalla	3,563				•••			Unopposed
Craven, Albert William, Esquire 6	Benambra	2,672		•••	****			•••	Unopposed
Cullen, John, Esquire	Gunbower	3,067	•••	•••		•••	•••		Unopposed
Downward, Alfred, Esquire	Mornington	4,275	1,731	234		1,965	17	1,400	45.96
Duffus, James Francis, Esquire 7	Port Fairy	3,580	2,041	484	17	2,542	24	1,305	71
Elmslie, George Alexander, Esquire	Albert Park	5,045	2,880	617		3,497	22	2,063	69.31
Farrer, James Farish, Esquire	Barwon	3,891	2,087	383		2,470	15	900	63.48
Forrest, Charles Lamond, Esquire	Polwarth	3,774	1,810	322		2,132	19	1,503	56.49
Glass, Thomas, Esquire	Bendigo East	3,841	2,251	392	1	2,644	16	1,504	68.83
Graham, The Honorable George	Goulburn Valley	3,257	•••	•••		•••		•••	Unopposed
Gray, John, Esquire	Swan Hill	3,114		•••		•••		•••	Unopposed

NOTES.

16 February, 1904.
6 Mr. A. W. Craven, Chairman of Committees, from 12 July, 1904.
7 Mr. J. F. Duffus, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A.

^{*} The particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1907; the date of each Member's election, when noted as "unopposed," being 7 July, 1907, the "day of nomination," and in other cases 15 July, 1907, the "day of polling." † Honorary Minister.

Honorary Minister.
 Mr. G. H. Bennett, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A.
 The Hon. T. Bent, a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 10 June, 1902, to 16 February, 1904; also Minister of Health (without salary), from 6 February, 1903, to 16 February, 1904; and Commissioner of Public Works, from 21 July, 1903, to 16 February, 1904. Treasurer (Premier), also Minister of Railways (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 16 February, 1904.
 Mr. J. Bowser, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A.
 Mr. F. H. Bromley, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A.
 Mr. E. H. Cameron, Minister of Mines and Water Supply, from 10 June, 1902, to 16 February, 1904. Minister of Public Health; also Commissioner of Public Works (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 16 February, 1904.*

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		No, of	No. of Electors who Voted.					Votes	
		Electors) 				Infor-	Polled for	Proportion
Member.	District.	on		Non-	Voters		mal.	Sitting	of Electors who Voted.
		Rolls.	Rate-	Rate-	Certifi-	Total.		Mem-	wno votea.
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Gurr, The Honorable William	Geelong	4,414	2,444	356	l	2,800	23	1,507	63.43
Harris, Albert, Esquire	Walhalla	2,830				•••			Unopposed
Holden, George Frederick, Esquire	Warrenheip	3,073	1.792	248	12	2,652	21	1,139	66.77
Hunt, Thomas, Esquire	Upper Goulburn	3,677	2,002	387	10	$2,\!399$	14	1,201	$65\ 42$
Hutchinson, William, Esquire	Borung	3,127	-,			· • • •			Unopposed
Keast, William Stephen, Esquiro	Dandenong	4,263	1,536	145		1,681	6	1,330	39.43
Keogh, Hubert Patrick, Esquire	Gippsland North	3,060	1,538	224		1,762	4	1,195	57.58
Kirton, The Honorable Joseph William	Ballaarat West	4,041	2,214	425	1	2,640	$\tilde{5}$	1,200	65.33
Langdon, The Honorable Thomas	Korong	2,736	•••			,			Unopposed
Lawson, Harry Sutherland Wightman,	Castlemaine	3,388	2,045	419		2,464	19	1,563	72.72
Esquire	and Maldon	,	_,			,		,,,,,,,	
Lemmon, John, Esquire	Williamstown	6,126	3,410	816	11 1	4,237	28	2,422	69.16
Livingston, Thomas, Esquire	Gippsland South	3,875				•••			Unopposed
Mackey, The Honorable John Emanuel8	Gippsland West	3,303				•••			Unopposed
Mackinnon, The Honorable Donald †	Prahran	4,903	2,311	822		3,133	7	2,035	63.90
Madden, The Honorable Frank 9	Boroondara	5,933	2 076	289		2,365	10	1,607	39.87
Mason, John Walter, Esquire	Waranga	2,953	1,743	266		2,009	13	711	68.03
McBride, Peter, Esquire	Kara Kara	3,229	1,713	287	l	2,000	19	1,602	61.93
McCutcheon, Robert George, Esquire	St. Kilda	4,840	2,136	368	1	2,505	11	1,548	51.75
McGrath, David Charles, Esquire	Grenville	3,693			.		•••	l	Unopposed
McGregor, The Honorable Robert	Ballaarat East	4,278							Unopposed
McKenzie, Hugh, Esquire	Rodney	3,542	2,291	353	22	2,666	12	1,522	75.27
McLeod, The Honorable Donald 10	Daylesford	3,156	1,529	283	1.	2,113	14	1,384	66.95
Membrey, John George, Esquire	Jika Jika	5,600	2,824	337	6	3,167	13	1,759	55 ·9 5
Murray, The Honorable John	Warrnambool	3,278				• • •			Unopposed
Oman, David Swan, Esquire	Hampden	4,064				•••			Unopposed
Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard	Maryborough	3,828	2,259	355	 .	2,614	15	1,487	68.28
Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander	Allandale	3,153		•••		•••			Unopposed
James, K.C.M.G. 11		·		ì					
Prendergast, George Michael, Esquire	North Melbourne	5,364	2,607	741	4	3,352	21	1,911	62.49
Robertson, Andrew Robert, Esquire	Bulla	3,764	1,799	421		2,220	5	1,538	58.98
Sangster, George, Esquire	Port Melbourne	5,483		i		•••			Unopposed
Smith, David, Esquire	Bendigo West	4,382	2,254	387	4	2615	13	1,751	60.36
Stanley, Robert, Esquire	Lowan	3,102							Unopposed
Swinburne, The Honorable George 12	Hawthorn	5,833	2,856	448	ļ i	3,304	18	2,247	56.64
Thomson, John, Esquire 13	Dundas	3,098	1,818	241		2,059	29	1,112	66.46
Toutcher, Richard Frederick, Esquire	Stawell and	3,260	1,596	485		2,081	7	1,326	63.83
, 1	Ararat							-	
Tunnecliffe, Thomas, Esquire	Eaglehawk	3,582	2,063	336		2,399	14	1,218	66 97
Warde, Edward Coughlan, Esquire	Flemington	5,334	2,631	525	10	3,166	14	1,619	58.80
Watt, The Honorable William Alexander	Essendon	5,810	3,104	462	15	3,581	12	1,904	61.63
Weedon, Henry, Esquire	East Melbourne	4,346	1,404	612	15	2,031	6	1,467	46.73
Wilkins, Edgar, Esquire	Collingwood	4,499	2,503	414	19	2,936	13	1,659	65.26
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For note (*) see page lxi.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker	••	The Honorable Frank Madden.
The Chairman of Committees		ALBERT WILLIAM CRAVES, Esquire.
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly		THOMAS GREENLEES WATSON, Esquire, C.M.G.
The Clerk-Assistant		Hibbert Henry Newton, Esquire.
Clerk of Committees and Serjeant-at-Arms	• • • •	WILLIAM ROBERT ALEXANDER, Esquire.

[†] Honorary Minister.

The Hon. J. E. Mackey, President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, from 17 August, 1906. Chief Secretary and Minister of Labour (without salary), from 11 December, 1906, to 4 January, 1907.
 The Hon. F. Madden, Speaker, from 29 June, 1904.
 The Hon. D. McLeod, Minister of Mines, from 16 February, 1904, to 8 November, 1904; a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 16 February, 1904, to 3 March, 1904; and Minister of Water Supply (without salary), from 10 March, 1904, to 26 April, 1904. Minister of Mines and Forests, from 8 November, 1904.
 The Hon. Sir Alexander James Peacock, Chief Secretary, also Minister of Labour (without salary), from 22 February, 1907.
 The Hon. G. Swinburne, Minister of Water Supply, from 26 April, 1904; also Minister of Agriculture (without salary), from 8 November, 1904.

⁸ November, 1904.

13 Mr. J. Thomson, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

The Parliament of Victoria begun and held at the City of Melbourne on Tuesday, the ninth day of July, in the seventh year of the Reign of His Majesty King Edward the Seventh; and in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven.

1. On which day, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament, for the despatch of business, pursuant to Proclamation (hereinafter set forth), Thomas Greenlees Watson, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and Hibbert Henry Newton, Esquire, Clerk-Assistant, attending in the House, the following Proclamation was read at the Table by the Clerk:—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE. TWENTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, THE Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation fix Tuesday, the ninth day of July, 1907, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria for the despatch of business, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, 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-first day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

(L.s.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Several of the Members repaired to their seats.

2. Message from Commissioners.—A Message from the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

The Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor request the immediate attendance of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the Legislative Council Chamber to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the Members of the Legislative Assembly went to the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Honour Mr. Justice Hood said—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council and Gentlemen of the Legislative. Assembly:

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, not thinking fit to be present in person this day, has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to issue, under the Seal of the State, constituting us his Commissioners, to do in his name all that is necessary to be performed in this Parliament. This will more fully appear from the Letters Patent which will now be read.

548. (500 copies).

Then the said Letters Patent were read as follows:--

EDWARD by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and I eland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India:

WHEREAS by Proclamation made the twenty-first day of June ultimo by His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, Tuesday, the ninth day of July instant was fixed as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, at Twelve of the clock at noon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said Sir John Madden cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: Now know ye that We, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved His Honour Joseph Henry Hood and His Honour Leo Finn Our trusty and we!I-beloved His Honour Joseph Henry Hood and His Honour Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Justices of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, do give and grant by the tener of these presents unto you the said Joseph Henry Hood and Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, or either of you, full power in Our name to begin and hold the said Session of Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said Sir John Madden shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tener of these presents all whom it may concern to meet Our said Parliament, and to the said Joseph Henry Hood and Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, or either have caused the Seal of our said State to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS Our trusty and well-beloved the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., at (L.s.) Melbourne, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of Our reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 324, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C. Morrison.

And then His Honour Mr. Justice Hood said-

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

We have it in command from His Excellency to let you know that on a future day, of which due notice will be given, His Excellency will declare to you in person, in this place, the causes of his calling this Parliament together; and, Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, as it is necessary before you proceed to the despatch of business that a President of the Legislative Council and a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, His Excellency requests that you, in your respective chambers, will proceed to the choice of proper persons to be such President and Speaker.

And the Members of the Assembly being returned-

- 3. Commission to Administer Oath to Members.—His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen having entered the House and been conducted by the Serjeant-at-Arms to the Chair, handed to the Clerk at the Table a Commission, which was read as follows:-
 - By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Esquire, Judge of our Supreme Court in Our said State of Victoria:

GREETING:

WHEREAS by the twenty-eight section of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, No. 1075, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the said State, do by these presents command and authorize you to proceed to the State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, on Tuesday, the ninth day of July instant, at Twelve of the clock at noon, then and there to administer the said Oath to the several Members of the said Legislative Assembly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this second day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign. (L.\(\cdot\)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command, JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 325, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C: Morrison.

4: Writs.—The Clerk announced that he had received from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor 65 Writs issued under the hand of His Excellency, for the election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, and that by the returns indorsed on the several Writs it appeared that the following gentlemen were duly elected for the districts set opposite their respective names, viz.:—

William David Beazley, estate agent, of Bath-street, Abbots Abbotsford Albert Park George Alexander Elmslie, of Albert-road, South Melbourne, stonecutter. Sir Alexander James Peacock, of Cambridge-street, Creswick, Allandale legal manager. Robert McGregor, of Eureka street, Ballaarat East, auc-Ballaarat East tioneer. Joseph William Kirton, Burnbank-street, agent, Ballaarat Ballaarat West ... $\hat{ ext{West}}$. James Farish Farrer, of Buckley's-road, grazier. Barwon John Joseph Carlisle, of Yarrawonga, miller. Benalla Albert William Craven, of Moonee Ponds, surveyor. Benambra ... : • • Thomas Glass, of Calvin-street, Bendigo, commission agent. Bendigo East . . . Bendigo West David Smith. ... Madden, " Mooroolbeek," Carson-street, Boroondara Frank solicitor. William Hutchinson, of Warracknabeal, watchmaker and Borung jeweller. The Honorable Thomas Bent, of Bay-street, Brighton, Brighton Frank Austey, labourer, of Stewart-street, Brunswick. Brunswick ... Andrew Robert Robertson. Bulla ... Frederick Hadkinson Bromley, of 69 Drummond-street, Carlton Carlton, artist. Castlemaine and Maldon Harry Sutherland Wightman Lawson, of Castlemaine, manager. Edgar Wilkins, "Kamarooka," North-terrace, Clifton Hill, Collingwood meat salesman. Reginald Ivon Argyle, farmer, Kyneton. Dalhousie William Stephen Keast. Dandenong Donald McLeod, of Daylesford, gentleman. Daylesford ... Dundas John Thomson, sheep farmer, Hamilton. Thomas Tunnecliffe, bootmaker, of West Melbourne. Eaglehawk ... Henry Weedon. East Melbourne William Alexander Watt. Essendon . . . Ewen Hugh Cameron, of Kangaroo Ground, farmer. Evelyn John William Billson, of 7 Michael-street, North Fitzroy, Fitzroy ... bootmaker. Edward Coughlan Warde. Flemington Mr. William Gurr, of 60 Maud-street, Geelong, agent. Geelong ... James Cameron, of Bairnsdale East, land-owner. Gippsland East ... Hubert Patrick Keogh, of Durrant-street, North Brighton, Gippsland North ... gentleman. Gippsland South ... Thomas Livingston, of Hambleton-street, Middle Park, Mel-... bourne, in Victoria, gentleman. Gippsland West ... John Emanuel Mackey. Hugh John Munro Campbell, of Portland, merchant. Glenelg ... Goulburn Valley ... George Graham, farmer, Wunghnu. ... David Charles McGrath. Grenville ... ••• John Cullen, of Kerang, farmer. $\mathbf{Gunbower}$ • • • David Swan Oman, Derrinallum, grazier. Hampden ... ••• Hawthorn George Swinburne. James George Membrey. Jika Jika Peter McBride, of St. Arnaud, in Victoria, merchant. Kara Kara ... Thomas Langdon, of 69 Greville-street, Prahran, gentleman. Korong Robert Stanley, of Pimpinio, farmer. Lowan ... Alfred Richard Outtrim, of Maryborough, commission agent. Maryborough Melbourne James Arthur Boyd. ••• ... Alfred Downward, of Mornington, grazier. Mornington George Michael Prendergast, traveller, 91 Flemington-road, North Melbourne ... North Melbourne. Ovens ... Alfred Arthur Billson. Polwarth Charles Lamond Forrest, of Irrewarra, grazier. James Francis Duffus. Port Fairy Port Melbourne ... George Sangster. Prahran Donald Mackinnon. ... George Henry Bennett, of 337 Church-street, Richmond. Richmond cordial manufacturer. Hugh McKenzie, of Echuca, in the State of Victoria, Rodney auctioneer.

Robert George McCutcheon.

St. Kilda

Stawell and Ararat ... Richard Frederick Toutcher, of Shoobra-road, Elsternwick, auctioneer.

Swan Hill ... John Gray, auctioneer, of Swan Hill.

Toorak ... Norman Bayles. Upper Goulburn ... Thomas Hunt.

Walhalla Albert Harris, Esq., storekeeper, of Walhalla, in the State of Victoria.

Wangaratta ... Mr. John Bowser, of Wangaratta, journalist.
Waranga ... John Walter Mason, of Rushworth, farmer.

Warrenheip ... George Frederick Holden, of Wallace, produce merchant.
Warrnambool ... John Murray, gentleman, of Manningtree-road, Hawthorn.

Williamstown ... John Lemmon.

5. Members Sworn.—W. D. Beazley, Esq., G. A. Elmslie, Esq., The Honorable Sir Alexander Peacock, K.C.M.G., The Honorable R. McGregor, The Honorable J. W. Kirton, J. F. Farrer, Esq., A. W. Craven, Esq., T. Glass, Esq., D. Smith, Esq., The Honorable F. Madden, W. Hutchinson, Esq., A. R. Robertson, Esq., F. H. Bromley, Esq., H. S. W. Lawson, Esq., R. I. Argyle, Esq., W. S. Keast, Esq., The Honorable D. McLeod, J. Thomson, Esq., T. Tunnecliffe, Esq., H. Weedon, Esq., The Honorable W. A. Watt, The Honorable E. H. Cameron, J. W. Billson, Esq., E. C. Warde, Esq., The Honorable W. Gurr, J. Cameron, Esq., H. P. Keogh, Esq., T. Livingston, Esq., The Honorable J. E. Mackey, H. J. M. Campbell, Esq., D. C. McGrath, Esq., J. Cullen, Esq., D. S. Oman, Esq., The Honorable G. Swinburne, J. G. Membrey, Esq., P. McBride, Esq., The Honorable T. Langdon, R. Stanley, Esq., The Honorable A. R. Outtrim, The Honorable J. A. Boyd, A. Downward, Esq., G. M. Prendergast, Esq., A. A. Billson, Esq., C. L. Forrest, Esq., J. F. Duffus, Esq., G. Sangster, Esq., The Honorable D. Mackinnon, G. H. Bennett, Esq., R. F. Toutcher, Esq., J. Gray, Esq., N. Bayles, Esq., T. Hunt, Esq., A. Harris, Esq., J. W. Mason, Esq., G. F. Holden, Esq., The Honorable J. Murray, J. Lemmon, Esq., took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

The Commissioner, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms, then retired from the House.

6. ELECTION OF SPEAKER.—Mr. J. Cameron, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker The Honorable Frank Madden, and moved, That The Honorable Frank Madden do take the Chair of the House as Speaker, which motion was seconded by Mr Thomson.

The House then calling The Honorable Frank Madden to the Chair, he stood up in his place and expressed the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself

to the House.

The House then again unanimously calling The Honorable Frank Madden to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Mr. J. Cameron and Mr. Thomson, and conducted to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by unanimously choosing him to be their Speaker, and thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and then the Mace, which before lay under the Table, was laid upon the Table.

Then Mr. Swinburne and Mr. Prendergast congratulated Mr. Speaker.

- 7. PRESENTATION OF THE SPEAKER.—Sir Alexander Peacock stated that he had already ascertained that it would be His Excellency's pleasure to receive the Speaker in the Library, at the State Parliament House, to-morrow, at half-past one o'clock.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at two o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-four minutes past twelve o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor desires the immediate attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Chamber of the Legislative Council.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker with the House went to attend His Excellency :- And having returned-

3. PRESENTATION OF THE SPEAKER.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day proceeded to the Library, State Parliament House, and that he had presented himself to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as the choice of the Legislative Assembly, and that His Excellency had been pleased to address him in the following terms:—

MR. SPEAKER,

I am obliged to you for your announcement that you have again been chosen Speaker by the Legislative Assembly, and I am very gratified to know that you have been so by the concurrence of all annions in that Honorable House.

of all opinions in that Honorable House.

There is no principle more important for the proper administration of our Constitution than the free and equal privilege of plainly presenting to Parliament the differing views of all sections of the people, and I congratulate you sincerely that for the securing this you appear to have been successful in the past, and to be trusted for the future.

I earnestly hope that this Parliament will find itself able to advance the welfare and

happiness of this State.

JOHN MADDEN.

- 4. Commission to Administer the Oath to Members.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the following Commission:—
 - By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To The Honorable FRANK MADDEN, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria:

GREETING:

Whereas by the twenty-eighth section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1890, No. 1075, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor aforesaid, do by these presents command and authorize you, from time to time, in the State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Assembly as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Assembly.

Given under my Hand and the Scal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this ninth day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 325, this ninth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C. Morrison.

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- 5. Members Sworn.—J. J. Carlisle, Esq., E. Wilkins, Esq., H. McKenzie, Esq., and J. Bowser, Esq., took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 6. JUBILEE OF RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT IN VICTORIA.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following letter from the Private Secretary :-

State Government House, Melbourne, 18th February, 1907.

I have the honour, by direction of the Governor, to forward herewith the copy of a despatch received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying to both Houses of Parliament His Majesty's sincere thanks for their expressions of loyalty and affection contained in the joint Address passed on the occasion of the Parliamentary Jubilee.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

VICTOR NELSON HOOD.

Private Secretary.

The Honourable the Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Victoria.

Copy.

Victoria

No. 3.

SIR,

Downing-street,

10th January, 1907.

I have the honour to inform you that I duly laid before His Majesty the Address from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, which was forwarded in your despatch "General" of the 24th November last.

2. His Majesty has been pleased to receive the Address very graciously, and has commanded me to request that you will convey to both Houses His sincere thanks for their expressions of loyalty and affection, and add that, as He has already said in the message delivered by you, He is sure that that loyalty and affection will not diminish in years to come, but, if it is possible, increase with the growing influence and happiness of Victoria.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

ELGIN. (Signed)

Governor the Honorable Sir R. Talbot, K.C.B., &c., &c., &c.

7. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read:-

1907.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1907-8.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the months of July and August, in the year 1907-8, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 9th July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimate, to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

- 8. Bush Fires Committee.-Mr. Langdon moved, by leave. That there be laid before this House a copy of the Minutes of Evidence taken by the Select Committee on Bush Fires. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 9. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented-

Bush Fires Committee.—Minutes of Evidence.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

10. Papers.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1905-6.

Observatory.—Fortieth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st April, 1905, to 30th November, 1906.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906 —

Part I.—Blue Book. Part II.—Finance.

Mr. Swinburne presented-

Long Lake Water Supply Scheme.-Return to an Order of the House, dated 20th December. 1906, for a return showing-

1. The total number of hours the pumps have been worked for the supply of water to the settlers since the inception of the Long Lake scheme.

2. The cost of such pumping.

3. The cost of maintenance during the same period.

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 :-

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns—

For the quarter ended 31st December, 1906.

For the quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

Boilers Inspection Act 1906.—Regulations for the Inspection and Test of Boilers.—Order in Council.

Children's Court Act 1906.—Rules and Regulations.—Order in Council.

Companies Act 1896 .- Rules under Division VII .- Return by Prothonotary of Business of the Supreme Court.

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under, for the year 1906.

Explosives Act 1890.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Chief Secretary, on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1906.

Fire Brigades Act 1890-

Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1906; together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ending 31st December, 1906; • together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Fisherics Act 1890.—Notice of Proclamation—

Netting in Inland Waters. - Kow or Mount Hope Swamp.

Mouth of the Albert River.

Friendly Societies-Twenty-eighth Annual Report on .- Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1905, to which are appended the Valuations, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.

Addition to the Regulations .- Part II .- Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.-Chapter V.—Agricultural and Grazing Allotments.—Residence Licences.—Order in

Amendments of, and Additions to, the Regulations .- Part II .- Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands. —Chapter X.—Miscellaneous.—Transfer or Mortgage of Leaseholds.— Order in Council.

Legal Practitioners Reciprocity Act 1903.—Council of Legal Education.—Rules for the Admission of Barristers and Solicitors, dated 26th April, 1907.

Libraries Act 1890.—Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Rules and Regulations.

Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act 1906.—Licensing of Race-courses.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

Marine Act 1890.-Marine Board of Victoria.-Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1906.

Mines Act 1904—Suspension of Labour Covenants granted during 1906.

Money Lenders Act 1906.—Regulations respecting Registration of Money Lenders.—Order in

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for 1906, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1905-6.

Pure Food Act 1905 -

Regulations exempting Packages of Articles of Food from certain Provisions relating to Labelling.

Regulations prescribing Methods for the Analysis of Milk, Cream, and Malt Extract. Regulations as to Infants' Food, Bread, Flour, Fruit, Preservative Substances, Vegetables, Oils, Spices, and other Articles of Food, Colouring Matter, and Drugs.

Regulation relating to the Use of Harmless Colouring Matter in certain Articles of Food. Regulations exempting Packages of Articles of Food from certain Labelling Provisions and allowing Sale by Approximate Weight or Measure.

Small Improved Holdings Act 1905.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

Supreme Court Act 1890.—Rules of the Supreme Court on and after 1st February 1907.

University Act 1890.—Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne, from 31st

July, 1905, to 31st July, 1906; together with Two Appendices containing—A—

Amendment of Statutes and Regulations made during the year; B—Statement of

Accounts for the year 1905. Water Act 1905.—Licences to Divert Water from any River, Creek, Stream, or Water-course, Lake, Lagoon, Swamp, or Marsh other than those flowing through, situate upon, or bounded by Crown Lands, or of which the Bed and Banks are not vested in the Crown.-Regulations.—Order in Council.

11. Companies Acts further Amendment Bill.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Boyd, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Companies Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, orderel to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy as follows:—

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

I have called you together in order that I may obtain your advice and assistance regarding certain matters of importance.

I am glad to be able to congratulate you upon the satisfactory condition of the finances of the State. The Treasury accounts for the year which closed on the 30th June show a substantial surplus. There is also abundant evidence of prosperity amongst all classes of the community.

The Four per cent. loan of £4,000,000 which fell due on the 1st instant, has been satisfactorily met. The liability of the State on this account has been reduced by no less a sum than £500,000, and the remainder of the debt has been provided for by the issue of new securities at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.; about £2,800,000 being taken up in Melbourne, and the balance of about £700,000 in London. By this transaction a very considerable annual saving in interest has been effected, and, owing to the large amount subscribed locally, the expenses of flotation have been reduced to a minimum. Another gratifying result is that, as regards the greater part of the converted portion of the loan, the bonds of the State are now held by the people of the State, and the interest thereon will in future be paid in Melbourne instead of in London. In addition to the foregoing, the accumulated deficit has been reduced by the payment out of the Surplus Revenue of a sum of £514,000, so that during the year the indebtedness of the State has been diminished by no less a sum than £1,014,000.

Arrangements have also been made to meet a local loan of £1,000,000 falling due in October; and nearly the whole of the London loan of £2,000,000 falling due in April, 1908, has been already provided for.

My Advisers have obtained a revision of the terms of the Agreement under which the London and Westminster Bank acts for the State in financial transactions. The revised terms

will result in a large saving to the State.

A Conference of Premiers and Ministers of the States and the Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth was recently held in Brisbane, when further consideration was given to the important question of the financial relations between the Commonwealth and the States. Other subjects of common interest were also discussed. The record of the Proceedings and the Resolutions of the Conference will be laid before you.

The question of the fuller utilization, on equitable terms, of the waters of the River Murray has been further considered by the Governments of the three States interested, viz., New South Wales, South Australia, and Victoria; and a Bill dealing comprehensively with the whole matter has been completed and is now ready for submission to the respective Parliaments of those States.

My Advisers intend to recommend to you a policy of judicious railway construction, with the object of settling the people on the lands of the State and of further opening up the country, so as to admit of the easier transport to market of timber and produce. The necessity for this is apparent, particularly in the Eastern Gippsland District.

A measure will be submitted to you to enable large areas of land in the Mallee District to be

made available for settlement, in conjunction with land on the Murray frontages.

Bills are to be introduced to authorize the acquisition and development of large areas of lands in the Western District for the purposes of closer settlement and small holdings. These measures will provide for the acquisition of land to an extent of about 1,000,000 acres; for the construction of railways; and for the rating of all the land within the area to be served but not acquired for settlement.

It is proposed to allot to the Department of Mines a sum of £50,000 for the purpose of extending the operations of boring for gold and coal in suitable localities; for granting further assistance to pioneer prospecting work; for the provision of additional improved drills and batteries;

and generally for assisting the development of the mineral resources of the State.

An Amending Mines Bill to remedy defects in the existing law, and to give increased power for securing the adoption in all mines of proper conditions of health and safety, will also be laid before you. This measure will also deal with the question of tributing; the disposal of sludge and débris from dredging and mining operations; the prevention of injury to property by the silting up of rivers and water-courses; and other necessary amendments in the existing law.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Estimates of Expenditure, which will be laid before you, while framed with a due regard to economy, provide adequately for the requirements of the State.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Licences Reduction Board provided for in the Licensing Act has been appointed, and is now engaged in the discharge of the important duties committed to it by Parliament.

My Advisers have secured the services of a gentleman of wide experience in America to act as Chairman of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. He will assume the duties of his office at an early date.

The water supply works now in course of construction are being proceeded with as rapidly as possible, and other works of an urgent character will be undertaken without delay.

A measure will be submitted for your consideration dealing with the care, management, and maintenance of levees by municipalities, and for the collection of rates to provide for the necessary expenditure.

It is intended to submit to you a Bill to amend the law relating to Grazing Area Leases, so as to give relief from the provisions of the existing law and to afford greater facilities for settlement.

By the establishing of a system of Agricultural High Schools in suitable centres, facilities are being afforded to many young persons to acquire valuable practical knowledge in farming and allied rural pursuits.

A Bill codifying the Criminal Law has been prepared for your consideration; also a measure for the imposition of indeterminate sentences in certain cases, and a Bill to amend the

Police Offences Act, by giving larger powers for dealing with vagrancy and criminals.

A measure for the reclassification of shires will be laid before you; and, while the municipal subsidy will be fixed at £100,000, a Bill will also be submitted dealing with the construction and maintenance of main roads.

You will be asked to consider a Forests Bill, providing for the re-organization of the Forests Department, giving it a more efficient control over the timber areas of the State, providing for reafforesting and replanting where necessary, and the training of the Forests staff. will also be made for excising from the timber reserves, within a stated period, lands suitable for settlement, and permanently reserving a larger area for forest purposes.

My Advisers, after having given careful consideration to representations made to them for the use (with a conscience clause for teachers and scholars) of Scripture Lessons, Prayers, and Hymns in State Schools, have prepared a measure authorizing the taking of a Referendum on the subject, with the view of ascertaining with certainty the wishes of the people of the State.

A Bill providing for the increase of the maximum amount paid to Old-age Pensioners from

8s. to 10s. per week has been prepared for your consideration.

You will also be asked to consider a Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, in which provision will be made for extending the Wages Board system.

A Workmen's Compensation Bill will be submitted to you providing for the payment of compensation to a workman for personal injury by accident arising out of or in course of his employ-

ment. A Bill consolidating the numerous Acts amending the Constitution Act has been prepared and will be laid before you; also measures providing for amendments in the Infant Life Protection Act; for the registration and regulation of motor cars; for amending the law relating to friendly societies; for an extension of the system of voting by post; and for other matters.

I confidently commit to you the interests of the country, and I trust that your labours may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the continued prosperity and happiness of the

people.

13. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.-Mr. Weedon moved, That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :-

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

Ordered-That the debate take precedence of all other business.

14. Committees of Supply and Ways and Means-Suspension of Standing Order.-Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 273A be suspended so as to allow the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed before the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech has been agreed to by this House.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 15. Supply.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 16. WAYS AND MEANS. Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 17. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES .- Mr. Bowser moved, That the Honorable Member for Benambra, Mr. Albert William Craven, be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House.

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

18. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read.—Mr. McLeod moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven also acquainted the Ifouse that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

19. Supply.--Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £1,025,740 be granted to His Majesty on account for

or towards defraying the following services for the year 1907-8, viz. :-Division No. 1. Legislative Council 2. Legislative Assembly ... 225 ... 1,570 ... 3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways 110 4. Victorian Parliamentary Debates 615 5. The Library ... ••• 160 ... 6. State Reading Room ... ••• 275 ... 7. Refreshment Rooms 200 ... ••• ... 8. Public Service Commissioner 330 9. Administrative and Scientific ... 7,900 ... ٠... 10. Government Statist ••• 2,000 ... 11. Police ... 50,000 12. Penal Establishments and Gaols • • • 9,300 13. Hospitals for the Insane ... 21,625 ... ••• 14. Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools 10,820 ٠.. 15. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery 3,955 ... ••• ... 16. Auditor-General ... 2,450 ••• 17. Grants ... 2,400 18. Miscellaneous ... 7,500 ... 19. Education 5,488 20. Do. ... 101,810 ... ••• 21. Technical Schools ... ••• ••• . . . ••• 3,422 ••• 22. Miscellaneous ... 23. Supreme Court 421 1,231 • • • ••• 24. Law Officers of the Crown 3,453 ••• ••• ••• 25. Crown Solicitor ,.. ... ••• ٠.. 1,232 26. Prothonotary ... • • • 391 • • • ... 27. Master in Equity and Lunacy 1,305 ••• 28. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles ... 8.658 29. Sheriff _ 5,101 30. Comptroller of Stamps, &c. 874 31. Miscellaneous ... 32. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions ••• ••• 4,898 ... ••• 33. Police Magistrates and Wardens 4,175 .., 34. Clerks of Courts ... 5,495 ••• 35. Coroners ... 1,193 ••• 36. Miscellaneous 150 ••• 37. Treasury 4,734 ... 38. Income Tax 2,533 39. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons ... 321 ... ••• 40. Government Printer 13,547 41. Advertising ... 800 ... 42. Grant to Charitable Institutions 3,000 . . . 43. Transport, &c. ... 500 44. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure 1,000 46. Payment to Railway Department for Issue of Free Passes to State Governor and Staff, Members of Parliament, &c., Executive Councillors, and Members of Parliaments of other States ... 834 ... ---... 47. Miscellaneous 160 48. Advance to Treasurer 200,000 ... 49. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands 12,015 50. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves ... 1,000 51. Botanical and Domain Gardens • • • 1.430 52. Extirpation of Rabbitz and Wild Animals 2,932 53. Closer Settlement 420 • • • 54. Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Small Improved Holdings 125 55. Village Settlements and Labour Colonies ... ••• 200 ••• 56 Miscellaneous 600 57. Public Works 5,951 58. Ports and Harbors ... 5,776 59. Victorian Railways Construction Branch • • • 456 60. Miscellaneous 61. Works and Buildings 300 . . . 56,970 62. Road Works and Bridges 1.000 63. For the Construction of New Roads and for the Improvement of Crown Lands ines • • • 10,000 64. Mines ... 4,700 65. Testing Plants and Boring ••• ... 3,000 66. Miscellaneous 1,050 67. Forest and Nurseries Branch ••• 3,586 ٠.; 68. Water Supply 1,102 69. Waterworks in Country Districts, &c. 175 70. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission ... 19,000

Division No.						£
71. Agriculture and Industries	•••		•••	•••	•••	2,160
72. Diseases in Stock	•••	•••	•••	•••		1,236
73. Vegetation Diseases	•••					1,106
74. Maffra Beet Sugar Factory					• • •	18
75. Technical Education			•••	•••		2,986
76. Burnley School of Horticulture, &	be.					250
77. Viticulture Industry		•••				842
78. Development of Export Trade						7,050
79. Wyuna Irrigation Farm						500
80. Milk and Dairy Supervision	•••		• • •			2,101
81. Grants to Agricultural Societies				•••	•••	100
82. Miscellancous		•••	•••	•••	•••	7,750
83. Public Health		•••	•••			3,955
84. Victorian Railways	•••	•••				363,760
85. Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,834
						1,025,740

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

20. WAYS AND MEANS.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Wherenpon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

21. Ways and Means .- Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1907-8 the sum of £1,025,740 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House

Ordered—That Mr. McLeod and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the fore-going resolution.

- 22. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).—Mr. McLeod then brought up a Bill intituded "A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million and twenty-five thousand seven hundred and forty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 - Mr. McLeod 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

23. Adjournment.—Mr. McLeod moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at six minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2 Toombullup Railway.—Mr. McBride, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting Toombullup and Boggy Creek by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway; together with the Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

- 3. PORT CAMPBELL RAILWAY. -Mr. McBride, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting Port Campbell by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of the railway; together with the Minutes of Evidence. Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- -Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906.—Part V.—Law, Crime, &c.
 - Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Mines and Water Supply-Annual Report of the Secretary for, to the Honorable D. McLeod, M.P., Minister of Mines and Forests for Victoria, including Statistics, Reports on Geological Survey, Forests, Sludge Abatement, Inspection of Mines, Dredging, Progress of Mining, Boring Operations, &c., for the year 1906.

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:

Boards of Inquiry .- Copies of Orders in Council authorizing Maximum Expenditure :-

Cabmen's Grievances Board.

Cure for Cancer Board. George Weeks Board.

Waranga Reservoir Board.

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Land Act 1901.—Amendments of, and Additions to, the Regulations.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Chapter X.—Miscellaneous.—Transfer or Mortgage of Leaseholds. Chapter XI.—Commons. Part IV.—Saw-mill and Timber Licences.—State Forests, Timber Reserves, and other Crown Lands.—Order in Council.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Sixteenth General Report.

Poisons Acts.—Additional Regulations.—Order in Council.

Public Service Acts-

Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Department of Lands and Survey (2 papers).

Regulations .- Travelling Allowances .- Department of Law (2 papers).

Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Chief Sucretary.

Wegulations .- Classification of General Division .- Department of Public Health.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Agriculture.
Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Addition of Classes F2 and F1 to Clause 8 of Chapter II.

Regulations.—Attendance and Conduct of Odicers.
Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Mines and Water

Addendum to Regulations.—Clause 14, Chapter V.
Regulations.—Chapter III.—Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division.
Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Public Instruction.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Works. Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Agriculture.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Lands and Survey. Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act 1903.—Regulations repealed and New Regulations made.

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5. Message & Rom His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 and twenty-five thousand seven hundred and forty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th July, 1907.

6. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. E. H. Cameron, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 16th July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

7. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 3, having been read—On the motion of Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bilt relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. E. H. Cameron and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the

foregoing resolution.

Mr. E. H. Cameron then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Swinburne, and the same was read :-JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 16th July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this

9. Murray River Waters Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 4, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered -- That Mr. Swinburne and Mr. Mackinnon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Swinburne then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

10. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Swinburne, and the same was

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 16th July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House

11. TOCUMWAL RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 5, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee af the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purpose of a Bill to authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Swinburne and Mr. Boyd do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the fore-

going resolution.

Mr. Swinburne then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Toeumwal Railway to Toeumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question-That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lientenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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—having been read-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to morrow.

Ordered - That the debate take precedence of all other business.

13. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million and twenty-five thousand seven hundred and forty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seren and One thousand nine hundred and eight" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 10th July, 1907.

- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 15. Adjournment.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN.

Speaker.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Member Sworn.—R. G. McCutcheon, Esq., took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 3. BLIND PERSONS.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - 1. The total number of blind persons, males and females, in the State of Victoria.
 - 2. The number of blind persons, male and female, in the various charitable institutions.
 - 3. The number of blind persons receiving the benefit of the Old-age Pensions Act.
 - 4. The number of blind persons (if any) in the penal establishments throughout the State.
 - 5. The number of blind children receiving education and training at the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind.
 - 6. The number of blind persons, male and female, employed in the workshops of the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Temporary Chairmen of Committees.—The following Warrant, nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria numbered 4A, I do hereby nominate

> George Henry Bennett, Esquire, John Bowser, Esquire, Frederick Hadkinson Bromley, Esquire, James Francis Duffus, Esquire, and John Thomson, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees whenever requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this sixteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

5. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.-The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question-That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :-

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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-having been read-

Mr. Glass moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Ordered-That the debate take precedence of all other business.

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- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos 1 to 6 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 7. Adjournment.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-three minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

THURSDAY, 18TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The following Warrant, appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications," was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:--

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the two hundred and ninety-first section of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, I do hereby appoint—

William David Beazley, Esquire, Frederick Hadkinson Bromley, Esquire, James Cameron, Esquire, George Alexander Elmslie, Esquire, Thomas Hunt, Esquire, Thomas Livingston, Esquire, and The Honorable William Alexander Watt

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

Given under my hand this sixteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor— Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906.—Part III.—Municipal Statistics.

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:—

Dentists Act 1898.—Dental Board of Victoria.—Regulation repealed and New Regulation made.

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector of, for the year ended 31st December, 1906.

Licensing Acts-

Rules and Regulations, dated 21st February, 1907.—Order in Council. Rules and Regulations, dated 9th April, 1907.—Order in Council. Regulations.—Alteration of Forms, dated 21st May, 1907.—Order in Council.

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4. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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—having been read—

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.

5. LIBRARY COMMITTEE. - Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council: -Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. Parliament Buildings Committee.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice,
That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 8. Printing Committee.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:-Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 9. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:-Mr. Bennett, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 10. Forests Bill. —Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 11. Municipal Association Incorporation Bill.—Mr. McLeod moved, pursuant to notice, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, including those relating to the payment of fees, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill for the incorpora-tion of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. E. H. Cameron, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill for the Incorporation of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 12. TOOBORAC TRAMWAY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL.-Mr. Swinburne obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill for the Ratification of an Agreement with regard to the Tooborac Tramway"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 13. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 14. INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Infant Life Protection Act 1893", and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

- 15. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 16. DEFAULT SUMMONSES SERVICE FRES BILL.-Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the payment of fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 17. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 18. Adjournment.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Youths Employed in Railway Department.—Mr. Holden moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Watt, That there be laid before this House a return for the years ending 30th June, 1903, and 30th June, 1907, respectively, showing-
 - 1. The total number of employés, permanent and temporary, in the Railway Department.
 - 2. The total number of youths under eighteen years of age employed, distinguishing between those permanently and those temporarily employed.
 - 3. The classes of work on which such youths are employed; the numbers employed in each of such classes of work; and the rates of pay in each class.
 - 4. The number of youths employed in positions which involve the handling of cash.
 - 5. The number of youths employed in positions which involve any responsibility for the safety of the travelling public.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Penal Establishments and Gaols.-Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1906.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented-

Blind Persons.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 17th July, 1907, for a return showing—

- 1. The total number of blind persons, males and females, in the State of Victoria.
- 2. The number of blind persons, male and female, in the various charitable institutions.
- The number of blind persons receiving the benefit of the Old-age Pensions Act.
 The number of blind persons (if any) in the penal establishments throughout the State. 5. The number of blind children receiving education and training at the Royal Victorian
- Institute for the Blind. 6. The number of blind persons, male and female, employed in the workshops of the Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind.

Severally 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 :

Mines Act 1890 .- Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund .- Balance-sheet, 31st December, 1906.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read :-

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Victoria.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1906-7.

JOHN MADDEN.

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1906-7, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 23rd July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

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(500 copies.)

5. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:-

MAY 1T PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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-having been read-

Debate resumed.

Mr. McLeod moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 7. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved-That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :-

Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech—Motion for—Resumption of debate.

Ordered-That the debate take precedence of all other business.

Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 13 be postponed until to-morrow.

9. Adjournment.—Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. OCEAN MAIL CONTRACT—DRAFT AGREEMENT.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Draft Agreement for the Ocean Mail Contract.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. PAPER.—Mr. Swinburne presented—

Ocean Mail Contract—Draft Agreement.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Papers.—Mr. Swinburne presented—

Premiers' Conference.—Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Premiers' Conference, held at Brisbane, May, 1907; together with Appendices.

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:—

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Acting Secretary and Inspector for the year 1906.

5. Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly 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—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.

- 6. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this Personwill from more received in the tractic said Committee, (5.90 pm.)

7. SUPPLY.—Supplementary Estimates, 1906-7.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £152,102 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1906-7, viz.:—

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And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- 8. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1906-7, the sum of £152,102 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- Ordered—That Mr. McLeod and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
- 10. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).—Mr. McLeod then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee to a Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the Notices of Motion be postponed until Tuesday next, and that the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 12. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clork of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

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No. 8.

THURSDAY, 25TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- Mr. Swinburne obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 3. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—Mr. Swinburne obtained leave, with Mr. Boyd, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 4. 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 No. I. and No. IV. rescinded.—New Regulations made.—Order in Council. Additions to Regulation No. XI.—Order in Council.

Education Acts-

Regulation No. XXVI.—Clause rescinded and Clause substituted.—Order in Council.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notices of Proclamations-

Definition of Mouth of Moyne River; also Prohibition of Netting, &c. (2 papers.) Notice of Intention re Prohibition of Netting in Hobson's Bay.

Netting in Mallacoota Inlet.

Netting in Inland Waters.—Overflow from Lake Bolac or Boloke.

Prohibition of Netting in the South-West Passage, near Mouth of Moyne River.

5. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Mackey, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for Closer Settlement in the Western Part of Victoria, and to authorize the construction by the State of Railways for developing such land and for other purposes.

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Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

6. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question—put and negatived. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

7. Companies Acts further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon 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 Committee of the whole House.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third

time.

- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 8. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 9. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Swinburne moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Prendergast 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 Thursday, 22nd August next.

TOCUMWAL RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Swinburne 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Swinburne, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 12. ADJOURNMENT. -- Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clork of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN, build Speaker]

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Presentation of Address in Reply to the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had, that day, waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly, agreed to on the 24th July instant, in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :-

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In the name and behalf of the King, I thank you for the Address which you have been good enough to present to me, expressing your loyalty to Our Most Gracious Sovereign. I ferven trust that the result of your labours will be conducive to the welfare and prosperity of Victoria.

JOHN MADDEN.

Government Offices, Melbourne, 30th July, 1907.

3. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES BILL. -The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.-Mr. E. H. Cameron moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Prendergast 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 Tuesday next.

4. Days of Business .- Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Ten o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after half-past Four o'clock on Thursday.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. Order of Government Business.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice,
That on Tuesday and Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business.

Mr. Prendergast moved, as an amendment, That the word "Wednesday" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "Thursday."

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.	
Aye	s, 41.
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. J. Cameron.	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Forrest,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher.
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Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Lawson.
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Noes, 13.

Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde.

Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath,

Mr. Beazley,

Mr. Glass,

Mr. Bromley,

Tellers. Mr. Outtrim,

Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Elmslie. Mr. Sangster,

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative. 7548.

- Question—That on Tuesday and Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. Order of Government Business and Private Business.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice, That on Thursday in each week during the present Session business shall be called on in the following order, viz.:—

On one Thursday-

(Until One o'clock.)

Private Bill Business:

- 1. Notices of Motion.
- 2. Orders of the Day.

General Business:

- 1. Notices of Motion.
- 2. Orders of the Day.

(After One o'clock.)

Government Business.

On the alternate Thursday-

(Until One o'clock.)

General Business:

- 1. Orders of the Day.
- 2. Notices of Motion.

Private Bill Business:

- 1. Orders of the Day.
- 2. Notices of Motion.

(After One o'clock.)

Government Business.

Mr. Prendergast moved, as an amendment, That after the words "(Until One o'clock)," in the first place, the words "Government Business" be inserted.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided.

	Ayes, 13.	Noes, 41.			
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Kirton,		
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Langdon,		
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Livingston,		
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mackey,		
Mr. McGrath,	Tellers.	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Mackinnon,		
Mr. Outtrim,	Teners.	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mason,		
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McCutcheon,		
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Glass.	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. McGregor,		
		Mr. Craven,	Mr. McKenzie,		
		Mr. Cullen,	Mr. McLeod,		
		Mr. Downward,	Mr. Membrey,		
		Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,		
		Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Oman,		
		Mr. Forrest,	Sir Alexander Peacock,		
		Mr. Gray,	Mr. Robertson,		
	•	Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Swinburne,		
		Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher.		
		Mr. Holden,			
		Mr. Hunt,	Tellers.		
		Mr. Hutchinson,			
		Mr. Keast,	Mr. Argyle,		
		Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Lawson.		

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That on Thursday in each week during the present Session business shall be called on in the following order, viz.:—

On one Thursday-

(Until One o'clock.)

Private Bill Business:

- 1. Notices of Motion.
- 2. Orders of the Day.

General Business:

- 1. Notices of Motion.
- 2. Orders of the Day.

(After One o'clock.)

Government Business.

On the alternate Thursday—
(Until One o'clock.)

General Business:

1. Orders of the Day.

2. Notices of Motion.

Private Bill Business:

- 1. Orders of the Day.
- 2. Notices of Motion.

(After One o'clock.)

Government Business.

-put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. Public Accounts Committee.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the following Members be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways:—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 9. Adult Suffrage Bill.—Mr. Prendergast obtained leave, with Mr. Beazley and Mr. Tunnecliffe, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for Adult Suffrage"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th August next.
- 10. Municipal Rating (Unimproved Value) Bill.—Mr. Holden obtained leave, with Mr. McGregor and Mr. Watt, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1903' so as to provide for the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 22nd August next.
- 11. Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—Mr. Elmslie obtained leave, with Mr. Bromley, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act 1906"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th August next.
- 12. Governor's Salary Reduction Bill.—Mr. Toutcher obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to reduce the sum appropriated for the payment of the Governor's Salary"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 5th September next.
- 13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS AMENDMENT (COMPULSORY PURCHASE) BILL.—Mr. Prendergast obtained leave, with Mr. Elmslie, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts so as to introduce the principle of Compulsory Purchase"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th September next.
- 14. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. A. A. Billson obtained leave, with Mr. Bennett, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Licensing Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 22nd August next.
- 15. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Glass obtained leave, with Mr. Lemmon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th September next.
- 16. LICENSING COURT CONSTITUTION (COMPENSATION FEES) BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bowser, obtained leave, with Mr. Carlisle, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide that any Member of a Licensing Court may constitute the Licensing Court for the purpose of fixing Compensation Fees"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 5th September next.
- 17. Reference Bill.—Mr. Outtrim obtained leave, with Mr. Elmslie, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the adoption of the Referendum"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 3rd October next.
- 18. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—
 Mr. Toutcher obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the 'Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 5th September next.
- 19. Scaffolding Inspection Bill.—Mr. Elmslie obtained leave, with Mr. Outtrim, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 3rd October next.

- 20. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1905 (No. 2) AMENDMENT (SUNDAY LABOUR) BILL.—Mr. Lemmon obtained leave, with Mr. Glass, to bring in a Bill initialed "A Bill to repeal Section Thirty of the 'Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2)' for the purposes of abolishing Sunday afternoon labour for milkmen and their employés"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th October next.
- 21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McGregor obtained leave, with Mr. Robertson, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Local Government Act 1903'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th August next.
- 22. Dandenong Lands Act 1892 Amendment Bill.—Mr. Keast obtained leave, with Mr. Downward, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Seven of the 'Dandenong Lands Act 1892'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 15th August next.
- 23. Longwarry Lands Reclassification Bill.—Mr. Keast obtained leave, with Mr. Downward, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Beard of Classifiers under the Land Acts to reclassify certain Lands held by Settlers at Longwarry and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 12th September next.
- 24. Cressy and Pitfield Plains Railway.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the question of connecting Cressy and Pitfield Plains by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

 . Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 25. Doncaster and Kew Railway.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the question of connecting Doncaster and Kew and the Kew Asylum and Yarra Bend Asylum lands by means of a steam or electric railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the Crown lands and other lands which will be enhanced in value by the construction of the steam or electric railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 26. COHUNA RAILWAY.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the question of connecting Cohuna by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land which will be enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 27. LAKE BOLAC RAILWAY.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the question of connecting Lake Bolac by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land which will be enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 28. Default Summonses Service Fees Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question-put.

· The House divided.

Mr. Hutchinson,

Mr. Keogh,

Mr. Langdon,

Mr. Lawson,

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duffus,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Warde.
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Mr. Hunt,	

Tellers.

Mr. Argyle,

Mr. Keast.

Ayes, 45.

Noes, 6.

Mr. Bromley, Tellers.
Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Glass, Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Tunnecliffe. Mr. McGrath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

29. TOOBORAC TRAMWAY AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill."

Mr. Swinburne having informed the House that he would move next day for the suspension of the Private Bill Standing Orders, and ask for leave to proceed with the Bill as a Public Bill—

Ordered-That the further consideration of this Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

30. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Prendergast 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 Thursday next.

31. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and fifty-two thous and one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 30th July, 1907.

- 32. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 33. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 7, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for Closer Settlement in the Western Part of Victoria and to authorize the construction by the State of Railways for developing such land and for other purposes.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Mackey and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the

foregoing resolution.

Mr. Mackey then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the acquisition of land for Closer Settlement in the Western Part of Victoria and to authorize the construction by the State of Railways for developing such land and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

- 34. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 35. Adjournment.—Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Error in Division List.-Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in the division which took place in the House last night, on Mr. Prendergast's amendment on the Order of Government Business and Private Business, the Tellers for the "Ayes" inadvertently recorded the name of the Honorable Member for Dundas, Mr. Thomson, instead of that of the Honorable Member for Eaglehawk, Mr. Tunnecliffe.
 - Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to correct the Division List accordingly.
- 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Justices Act 1890-

Further Rules—(1) Courts of Petty Sessions not to adjudicate in Children's Court Cases. (2) Court of Petty Sessions or Justices may extend the return day of summons conditionally.—Order in Council.

Fees in Courts of Petty Sessions, and in Proceedings before a Justice or Justices .-Order in Council.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Swinburne, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 8.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 31st July, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this

5. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Older of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 8, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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7. DOOKIE EXTENSION RAILWAY.—Mr. Swinburne moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting the Dookie and Katamatite and the Benalla and Yarrawonga lines by means of a railway, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. Toolando Railway .- Mr. Swinburne moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Toolando by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. Tooborac Tramway Agreement Ratification Bill-Suspension of Private Bill Standing ORDERS.—Mr. Swinburne moved, pursuant to notice, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, in accordance with Standing Order No. 131 relating to Private Bills, and that the Bill for the Ratification of an Agreement with regard to the Tooborac Tramway be treated as a

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

Ayes	s , 3 5.	Noes, 12.			
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Craven, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle,	Noes, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Glass, Mr. Huut, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Tellers. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Warde.		
Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris,	Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers.				

Mr. Speaker said—As a three-fourths majority of the Members present have not voted for the motion, as is required by the Standing Order relating to Private Bills, No. 131, I declare the "Noes have it.

And so it passed in the negative.

10. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Mr. Swinburne moved, That the following Order of the Day be read and discharged :-

Tooborac Tramway Agreement Ratification Bill-Second reading.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

11. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Swinburne 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Mr. Swinburne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.-Bill read a third time.

Mr. Swinburne, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

Service on Juries.

A. All officers and employés of the Commissioners shall be exempt from serving as jurors under any law whatsoever.

And, after debate, the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired

12. Postponement of Orders of the Day. - Ordered, after debate-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

13. Adjournment.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. MEMBER SWORN.—The Honorable G. Graham took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Law Courts, Melbourne, 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 hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven."

The Law Courts,

Melbourne, 31st July, 1907.

- 4. PAPERS.—Mr. Mackey presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-Land Acts.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1906.
 - Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906.—Part IV.—Accumulation. 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:

Friendly Societies-Twenty-ninth Annual Report on .- Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1906, to which are appended the Valuations, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.

Lifts Regulation Act 1906.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

- 5. INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.-Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for Indeterminate Sentences and for the Detention and Control of Habitual and other Criminals"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- -Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Dentistry"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a

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Mr. Prendergast 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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8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes,' with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

> H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 6th August, 1907.

- 9. REAL PROPERTY (LIMITATION OF ACTIONS) BILL .- On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 10. MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION BILL .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43. Noes, 10.

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Glass, Mr. Wilkins Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Mason, Mr. McGrath, Tellers. Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. McBride, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Elmslie. Mr. Carlisle, Mr. McKenzie,

Mr. Craven, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Downward,

Mr. Duffus, Sir Alexander Peacock,

Mr. Farrer, Mr. Smith, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, . Mr. Harris, -Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt. Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt,

Mr. Hutchinson,

Mr. Keast, Tellers. Mr. Keogh, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Argyle,

Mr. Lawson. Mr. Langdon,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Ordered-That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

11. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS 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

Debate resumed.

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.

Ordered - That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

12. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires 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.

Mr. J. Cameron 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.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

14. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 6th August, 1907.

And then the House, at twenty-four minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Membrey presented a Petition from Christopher Sparling, of Northcote, in the State of Victoria, ex-constable of the Victoria Police Force, praying that the House will take his case into consideration, and grant him redress.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Stamps Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 4. FACTORIES (EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Employment of Chinese in Factories or Work-rooms"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second
- 5. MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:—

Clause 3, sub-section (2), line 9, after the word "Association" insert the words "with the approval of the Governor in Council."

line 12, after the word "for" insert the words "the regulation and management of and for."

Clause 11, omit this clause.

- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 6. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 3, sub-section (1), line 12, before the word "licensed" insert the words "licensed collector or."

On the motion of Mr. Wilkins, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 3, sub-section (2), line 17, omit the words "or both in the discretion of the convicting justices."

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:—

Clause A, line 44, after the word "include" insert the words "cast iron."

- Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-
 - B. In section twenty-six of the Principal Act after the words "at night" wherever the same occur the words "or on Sunday or on a public holiday" are hereby inserted, and the said section shall be read accordingly.
- And, after debate, the said clause was read a second time and added to the Bill. 7548. (500 copies)

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.-Bill read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:—Clause 4, paragraph (VIII.), line 29, omit the word "Twenty" and insert the word "Ten."

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires 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—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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

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AND **PROCEEDINGS** VOTES

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 13.

THURSDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 22nd August instant, and, after debate, Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Thursday, 12th September next.
- 3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. McGregor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued. Question-put.

The House divided.

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Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Prendergast,
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Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Mr. Gurr,

Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath,

Tellers. Mr. McGregor, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Warde. Mr. Outtrim,

Noes, 30.

Mr. Argyle, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. E. H. Cameron. Mr. McKenzie, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Craven, Mr. Murray, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Oman, Mr. Downward, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Swinburne. Mr. Graham, Mr. Harris, Tellers. Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Hunt,

Mr. Duffus.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. RABBIT PEST. — Mr. Langdon moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the rabbit plague generally, and the operation and effectiveness of the various Vermin Destruction Acts, such Committee to consist of Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Thomson, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Mr. Langdon,

Debate ensued.

And the debate not being concluded by one o'clock-

Ordered-That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 22nd August instant.

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT-COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF KONONGWOOTONG SOUTH ESTATE. - Mr. Mackey moved, pursuant to notice, That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase (500 copies,)

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the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-five minutes past three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Land Act 1901.—Addition to the Regulations made on the 8th January, 1902.—Part IV.—Saw-mill and Timber Licences.—State Forests, Timber Reserves, and other Crown Lands.—Order in Council.

Pure Food Act 1905.—Regulation to secure the Cleanliness, and Freedom from Contamination and Adulteration, of Milk during Transport from Place of Production to the Retail Vendor.

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Boyd, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN.

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 10.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of rates and charges for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Construction of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 9th August, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

4. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Outtrim 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. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Companies Acts" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th August, 1907.

- 6. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
 - MR. SPEAKER,

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

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th August, 1907.

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- 7. Police Offences Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 8. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 13th August, 1907.

H. J. WRIXON,
President,

- 9. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, 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 Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th August, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

- 11. Brim Registers Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 12. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 10, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Boyd, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Bennett reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of rates and charges for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Construction of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

13. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—Rates and Charges.—Mr. Boyd moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the rates and charges for the supply of water under the Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Bennett reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient to give power to the Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust to make and levy rates and charges for the supply of water; and all the provisions of the Water Act 1905 with respect to rates or charges for the supply of water in urban districts shall apply to the rates or charges of the Trust, provided that the charge for the supply of water by the Trust to the Victorian Railways Commissioners shall, for the period of five years next after the appointed day as defined in the Bill, be at the rate of One shilling for every 1,000 gallons, and thereafter at the rate of Sixpence for every 1,000 gallons.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

14. Geblorg Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Boyd 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

15. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past four o'clock. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative, 16. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Swinbu ne moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Honorable Captain Evans, C.M.G., Premier of Tasmania.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. Member Sworn.—The Honorable T. Bent took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 4. DISTRIBUTION OF WATER IN WIMMERA AND MALLEE—REPORT BY STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission on the Storage and Distribution of Water in the Wimmera Districts and Southern Mallee Area.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. PAPER.—Mr. Swinburne presented—

Distribution of Water in Wimmera and Mallee—Report by State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

6. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Cabmen's Grievances Board.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into the Grievances of Cabmen; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 14th August, 1907.

8. Dentists Bill—Registration Fees.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the registration fees to be charged under the Dentists Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative,

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-That the following registration fees be chargeable under the Dentists Bill, viz.:-

For restoration of name to register	• • •		£1	1	0
For registration of any additional qualification			0	10	6
For registration of name of any person under section 1	3 of the	Act	2	2	0
For registration of medical practitioner as dentist w	vithin tw	elve			
months after the commencement of the Act	•••		2	2	0
For registration of any person holding Melbourne degree	ees		5	5	0

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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9. FACTORIES (EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE) BILL.—FEES.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice,
That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be
charged under the Factories (Employment of Chinese) Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :-

Resolved—That the following licence-fees be chargeable under the Factories (Employment of Chinese) Bill, viz.:—

For every Chinese person, whether an employer or employé, working or employed in any factory or work-room, per annum ... 2s. 6d.

For every new licence issued in place of any such licence lost or destroyed 10s. 0d.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

10. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at thirty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

THURSDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Vehicle Drivers and Point-duty Constables .- Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Tunnecliffe, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of cases against drivers of vehicles in the city of Melbourne credited to each point-duty constable from 1st July, 1906, to 31st July, 1907.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. Shearers' Hut Accommodation Bill.—Mr. McGrath obtained leave, with Mr. Lemmon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to insure the better provision of Hut Accommodation for Shearers and others"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 12th September next.
- 4. MEDICAL ACT 1890 (PART III.) AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Glass obtained leave, with Mr. Sangster and Mr. Tunnecliffe, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Part III. of the 'Medical Act 1890'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th September next.
- 5. FARRIERS BILL.—Mr. Bayles, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Bent, obtained leave, with Mr. McBride, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to establish a Farriers Board and to regulate the practice of Farriery in Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th September next.
- 6. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL .- Mr. Outtrim obtained leave, with Mr. McGrath, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to empower the Courts of Mines and County Courts in the Country to deal with special cases stated by a Warden and orders to review under the Justices Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 3rd October next.
- 7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Outtrim obtained leave, with Mr. McGrath, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Game Act 1890'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 3rd October next.
- 8. MINIMUM WAGE IN RAILWAY CONTRACTS .- Mr. Lemmon moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, a minimum rate of wage and a maximum number of hours should be inserted as a condition in all railway contracts.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Bent 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 Thursday, 12th September next.

- 9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, 17th October next.
- 1 0. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Bent moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until this day.

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12. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. WESTERN DISTRICT CLOSER SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Prendergast 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 Thursday, 29th August instant.

14. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House 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, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at one minute past four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.-Mr. Elmslie, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, brought up the First Report from the Joint Committee on the Parliament Buildings. Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- 3. Permits under Factories and Shops Acts.-Mr. J. W. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - 1. The total number of permits granted under the Factories and Shops Acts.
 - 2. The number of permits granted in each trade.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales."
- "An Act to further amend the Companies Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 13th August, 1907.

- 5. PAPERS.-Mr. E. H. Cameron presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905:-
 - Government Contracts Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers. Return showing Articles obtained outside the Commonwealth for the service of the Public Works Department during the financial year 1906-7.

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 :

Servants' Registry Offices Act 1897.—Scale of Charges by Licensed Registry Office Keepers.— Order in Council.

6. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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7. Message from the Legislative Council. - Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act for the Incorporation of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 20th August, 1907.

- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 9. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. LONDON AND WESTMINSTER BANK AGREEMENT .- Mr. Prendergast moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Agreement between the Government and the London and Westminster Bank in connexion with Loans. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented—

London and Westminster Bank Agreement.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.-The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Mackinnon, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly for their consideration the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses ":-

In clause 2, third last line, after the word "the" there shall be inserted the words "justice or."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 21st August, 1907.

- On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the House agreed to the said amendment, and ordered that His-Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment and requesting their concurrence
- 5. LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL AGREEMENT.—Mr. Prendergast moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Agreement between the Government and the London County Council in connexion with the building lease of land required for the Agent-General's offices. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented-

London County Council Agreement.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

7. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.-Mr. Lemmon rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely:—" The labour conditions in the coal mining industry, the brutal treatment meted out to the miners, and the necessity for immediate Government intervention in the direction of giving effect to the recommendations of the Royal Commission upon the Coal Mining Industry."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion-

Mr. Lemmon moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question - put and negatived.

8. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :

Explosives Act 1890.—Certain Explosives Defined, Classified, and Added to List of Explosives prohibited from Importation into Victoria except upon certain Conditions.—Order in Council.

- 9. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY .-- Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of constructing a 5ft. 3in. railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra township be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report. Question -- put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 10. STAMP DUTIES—Annual Licence.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the expediency of securing the taking out of an annual licence under section thirty-one of the Stamps Act 1892 by the extension of the meaning of the word "declaration" in such section.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Cnair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved — That in order to secure the taking out of an annual licence under section thirty-one of the Stamps Act 1892 by companies, persons, or firms, as mentioned in such section, or advertising or notifying willingness to undertake marine assurance or insurance the meaning of the word "declaration" in such section shall be extended so as to include—

(a) any letter of advice or other document, advising or relating to any marine assurance or insurance or risk, to-

(i) a consignee of goods or merchandise;

(ii) a principal for whom goods or merchandise is purchased;

- (iii) an agent or broker who effects an assurance or insurance of goods or merchandise;
- (iv) a company, person, firm of persons, or underwriter assuring or insuring any goods, merchandise, hulls, freight, or insurable interest;

(v) a bank, company, person, or firm of persons advancing money against any goods, merchandise, hulls, freight, or insurable interest; or

- (vi) a bank, company, person, or firm of persons purchasing bills or drafts under a letter of credit issued for the purchase of any goods, merchandise, hulls freight, or insurable interest.
- Any such letter or document whether it is or is not in the nature of a letter or telegram; or is or is not in code, cypher, or otherwise; or does or does not state that assurance or insurance has been provided shall be included in the word "declaration"; or
- (b) any reference in an account to the settlement of any premium of assurance or insurance between a shipper and a consignee of goods and merchandise; or by an owner or mortgagee of or an agent of an owner or mortgagee of any hull, freight, or insurable interest; or by any person having an interest in the payment of such premium; or
- (c) the sending by any means whatever of a sum of money for payment outside Victoria of any premium of marine assurance or insurance.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- Ordered-That Mr. Mackinnon and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
- 11. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT B'LL (No. 2).--Mr. Mackinnon then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Stamps Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 12. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

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

- 13. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 14. REAL PROPERTY (LIMITATION OF ACTIONS) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.—Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Prendergast 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.
- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive and Nos. 12 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 16. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :-Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading. Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Vehicle Drivers and Point-duty Constables .- Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th August, 1907, for a return showing the number of cases against drivers of vehicles in the city of Melbourne credited to each point-duty constable from 1st July, 1906, to 31st July, 1907.

Mr. McLeod presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905-

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—List of Special Material manufactured outside the Commonwealth for the service of the Mines Department for the financial year 1906-7.

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 :-

Lifts Regulation Act 1906.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
Old-age Pensions Act 1901—Section 35.—Statement for the financial year 1906-7.

Trade Unions-Twenty-first Annual Report on.-Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1906; with an Appendix.

3. COAL MINING INDUSTRY .- Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to amended notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the statements made in the House on Wednesday, the 21st August, 1907, on the motion for the adjournment of the House, respecting the conditions of employment at the Gippsland coal mines, the quality of the coal, the price paid by the Government for coal, and the working of the coal mines generally, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bowser, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Wilkins, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this

5. Surplus Revenue Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 13, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

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Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the fore-going resolution.

Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seven"; and, after debate, the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY.—Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of constructing a 5ft. 3in. railway from Nyora to Woolamai be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
- 8. Real Property (Limitation of Actions) 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 and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Swinburne moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Mr. Swinburne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes	25.	Noes, 15.			
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Craven, Mr. Downward, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Thomson.	Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Glass, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McBride, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Smith, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Watt. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGrath.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Mr. Watt moved, as an amendment, That the word "council," in clause 7, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "ratepayers."

Mr. Bent moved, That the further consideration of amendments after the third reading be postponed until to-morrow.

Question—That the further consideration of amendments after the third reading be postponed until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY .- Mr. Warde, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra township. Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- 3. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Permits under Factories and Shops Acts.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 20th August, 1907, for a return showing—

1. The total number of permits granted under the Factories and Shops Acts.

2. The number of permits granted in each trade.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive be postponed until after No. 6.
- 5. Surplus Revenue Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

6. Real Property (Limitation of Actions) Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Bill intituled "AnAct to provide for the payment of fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses."

> H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 28th August, 1907.

- 8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive and Nos. 7 to 18 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 9. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

THURSDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor .- The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

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

"An Act for the Incorporation of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1907.

3. PAPER.—Mr. E. H. Cameron presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905-

Government Contracts.—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.— Return showing Material purchased and Prices paid for Goods obtained outside the Commonwealth by the Public Health Department during the financial year 1906-7.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. OLD-AGE PENSIONS-EXTENSION TO DISABLED WORKERS.-Mr. Kirton moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, modern industrial conditions, equity, and humane considerations necessitate the payment of a pension of not less than 10s. per week to the worn-out or permanently disabled miner and all other workers, irrespective of age.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Bent 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 Thursday, 12th September next.

- 5. Marriage Law further Amendment Bill.—Mr. Toutcher, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. McGregor, obtained leave, with Mr. Kirton, to bring in a Bill intituded "A Bill to validate the Marriage of a Man with his Deceased Wife's Niece"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 26th September next.
- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 12th September next; No. 2 until Thursday, 10th October next; and No. 3 until Thursday, 5th September next.
- 7. RABBIT PEST .- The Order of the Day for the resumption of debate on the question-That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the rabbit plague generally, and the operation and effectiveness of the various Vermin Destruction Acts, such Committee to consist of Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Thomson, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

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8. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY.-Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra township.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. E. H. Cameron do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

- Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. REAL PROPERTY (LIMITATION OF ACTIONS) BILL .- The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:-

Clause 8, line 40, after the word "tenancy" insert the words "or during such further period of possession by him as he holds the premises."

- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 10. Forests 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.

Mr. J. Cameron 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.

- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -- Ordered -- That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 12. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.

Ordered -Taat the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been 13. Brim Registers Bill.read-Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Dehate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. —Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

14. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government business, Nos. 7 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at seven minutes past four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. 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 Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1906-7.

3. RUPANYUP TO NEWALL'S CORNER, MARNOO, RAILWAY.—Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Rupanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Mackey 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 to-morrow.

4. Forests 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—

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising to-morrow, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Gray presented a Petition from certain lessees of the land known as Pental Island, near Swan Hill, praying that the House will cause the said island to be resumed by the Government from the Council of Agricultural Education, from whom the land is leased, and have the same dealt with under the ordinary land laws of the State.

On the motion of Mr. Gray, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:—

1907.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1907-8.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the month of September, in the year 1907-8, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 4th September, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimate, to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 5 and 6.
- 5. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

6. Supply.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £421,264 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1907-8, viz.:—

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	Grants Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,000
	Miscellaneous Education	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	$11,000 \\ 2,742$
	Do			•••	•••	•••	•••	50,906
21.	Technical Schools	•••	•••	•••		•••	•••	1,711
	Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	212
	Supreme Court		• • •	•••	•••	•••	•••	335
	Law Officers of the C		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,286
	Crown Solicitor Prothonotary	•••	,	• • •	•••	•••	•••	$\begin{array}{c} 388 \\ 124 \end{array}$
	Prothonotary Master in Equity and	Lungev	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	346
	Registrar-General and			···	•••	•••	•••	2,842
	Sheriff	٠,	•••		•••	•••	•••	1,337
30.	Comptroller of Stam	ps, &c.	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	716
			••• ~	•••		•••	•••	18
32.	County Courts, Court	ts of Ins o lve	• .			eral and	Petty	0.601
99	Sessions Police Magistrates an	 ul Wardana	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	3,631
	Clerks of Courts		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,192 1,800
	Coroners	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	609
	Treasury	•••	•••		•••	•••	•••	2,368
	Income Tax	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••		1,196
39.	Curator of Estates of	f Deceased I	Persons	•••	•••	•••	•••	154
40.	Government Printer	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	4,673
	Grant to Charitable I	Institutions	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	20,000
43.	Transport, &c		···			a	•••	200
46.	Payment to Railway							
	and Staff, Member bers of Parliament				ve Council	iors, and	Mem-	417
47	Miscellaneous	s of other Or	ales	•••	•••	•••	•••	80
	Survey, Sale, and Ma	nagement of	Crown	Lands	•••	•••	•••	6,088
	Public Parks, Garder			•••	•••	•••	•••	671
	Botanical and Domain		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	788
	Extirpation of Rabbi	ts and Wild	Animals	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,800
	Closer Settlement	•••				. •••	•••	220
	Acquisition of Land			nan Impr	oved Hold	•	•••	96
	Village Settlements a Miscellaneous	ing Labour (oromes	•••	•••	•••	•••	200 500
	Public Works	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	2,939
	Ports and Harbors	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	2,283
	Victorian Railways C	onstruction	Branch	•••	•••	•••	•••	226
_	Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	150
	Works and Buildings		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	22,020
	Road Works and Brid			•••	···	•••	~	500
63.	For the Construction				-		Jrown	6 900
6.1	Lands Mines	•••	•••	•••	•••	••.	•••	6,200 2,317
	Testing Plants and B	oring	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,500
	Miscellaneous	•••	•••	• •••	::	•••	•••	600
	Forest and Nurseries	Branch	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,700
	Water Supply			•••	•••	•••	•••	473
	Waterworks in Count			•••	•••	•••	•••	77
	State Rivers and Wat		Commissi	on	•••	•••	•••	9,000
	Agriculture and Indu	stries	•••	•••	•••	***	•••	1,022
	Diseases in Stock Vegetation Diseases	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	549. 586
	Maffra Beet Sugar Fa	ctory	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	20
	Technical Education	•••		•••	•••	•••		1,434
	Burnley School of He			•••	•••	•••	•••	200
77.	Viticulture Industry	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	937
78.	Development of Expo		•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	2,500
	Wyuna Irrigation Far		•••	•••	• • •	•••	•••	414
	Milk and Dairy Super		•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	247
	Grants to Agricultura	or Societies	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	$\begin{array}{c} 248 \\ 538 \end{array}$
	Miscellaneous Public Health	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,976
	Victorian Railways	•••		•••	•••	•••	•••	181,880
	Miscellaneous	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	917
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7. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

8. Ways and Means.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1907–8 the sum of £421,264 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

10. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive and Nos. 7 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Bennett presented a Petition from the Most Reverend Thomas Joseph Carr, the Most Reverend Stephen Reville, the Most Reverend James Francis Corbett, and the Most Reverend Joseph Higgins, on behalf of the members of the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria, praying that they may have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes, and that the House will be pleased to pass the same; also, that the House will be pleased to suspend or dispense with so much of Nos. 10 and 26 of the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills as require the notice therein prescribed to be given, and this Petition, with a declaration by the Agent for the Promoters and a printed copy of the Bill annexed, to be deposited at the respective times in the said Orders prescribed, in order that the said Bill may be passed by your Honorable House during the present Session.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. PAPERS.—Mr. Mackey presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—
 - Land Act 1901 (Part III.).—Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of Part III. of the Land Act 1901, relating to Village Settlements, during the financial year ended 30th June, 1907.

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:—

Friendly Societies-Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1906.

- 4. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 - Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 10, 11, and 15.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with further amendments.
- Ordered—That the Bill, as further amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Thursday next.
- 5. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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6. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—

That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers, not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement, and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 10th September, 1907.

7. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill initialed "An Act to declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights," with which they desire the concurrence of the ent. Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON, ed by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on

9. Adjournment.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Thursday, 19th September instant.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Education Act 1890—

Regulation No. VIII. (Night Schools) rescinded.—New Regulation made.—Order in Council.

Sections rescinded and Additions made to Regulation No. XI. (Examination and Classification of Teachers).—Order in Council.

Additions to Regulation No. XII. (Training College) .- Order in Council.

Regulation XXIX.—Sloyd Classes in Country Schools.

Regulation XXX.—Cookery Classes in Country Schools.

3. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS 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—having been read—Debate resumed.

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

4. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the 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 seven" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 11th September, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and eight" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 11th September, 1907.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petitions.—The following Petitions, praying that the House will grant to the Victorian Railways locomotive enginemen a working day of eight hours, or a total of 48 hours per week, were presented:—
 - By Mr. Warde-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and fireman of the Victorian Railways in the Melbourne district.

By Mr. Carlisle-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Benalla district.

By Mr. Gurr-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Geelong district.

By Mr. Hunt-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Seymour district.

By Mr. Livingston-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Transgon district.

By Mr. Livingston, for Mr. Downward-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Korumburra district.

By Mr. McGregor-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Ballarat district.

By Mr. Outtrim-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Maryborough district.

By Mr. Smith-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Bendigo district.

By Mr. Toutcher-

From certain locomotive engine-drivers and firemen of the Victorian Railways in the Ararat district.

On the motion of Mr. Warde, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition presented by him to be read.

- The Petition was read by the Clerk.
- Severally ordered to lie on the table.

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3. Public Servants in General Division with Six Years' Service.—Mr. Tunnecliffe moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of males in the General Division of the Public Service who have over six years of service, their ages, length of service, and salaries.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

(500 copies.)

- 4. CAULFIELD TO SOUTH YARRA RAILWAY REGRADING. -Mr. Bayles moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - 1. The number of level crossings which will be done away with when the regrading works from Caulfield to South Yarra are completed.
 - 2. The amount of wages per annum which will be saved by doing away with these level crossings.
 - 3. The amount per annum which it is estimated will be saved by such regrading in the cost of running trains between Caulfield and South Yarra.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 5. CHAFF CUTTERS (PROTECTION OF WORKMEN) BILL.—Mr. McGregor obtained leave, with Mr. Keast, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill for the protection of persons employed in connexion with Chaff Cutters"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 10th October next.
- 6. Longwarry Lands Reclassification Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Keast moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Langdon 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 Thursday, 26th September instant.

- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. -Ordered, after debate-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 and 5 be postponed until Thursday, 26th September instant; No. 3 until Thursday, 17th October next; and Nos. 4 and 6 until Thursday, 10th October next.
- 8. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Toutcher moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Keogh moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Question-That this Bill be now read a second time--put.

Mr. Warde.

The House divided.

Mr. Membrey,

s, 21.	Noes, 23.				
Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Bent, Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Langdon, Mr. Mackinnon,			
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Mason,			
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,			
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Craven,	Sir Alexander Peacock,			
Mr. Toutcher,	Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Robertson,			
Mr. Tunnecliffe.	Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Stanley,			
	Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Swinburne.			
Tallars	Mr. Gray,				
	Mr. Gurr,	Tellers.			
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Holden,	1000073.			
	Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Toutcher,	Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Mr. Bent, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Craven, Mr. Craven, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr,			

Mr. Hunt,

Mr. Keogh,

Mr. Argyle,

Mr. Thomson.

And so it passed in the negative.

- 9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 8 be postponed until Thursday, 26th September instant.
- 10. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—
 The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Toutcher 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Toutcher, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY. Ordered That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 10 be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 12. Forests Bill. The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read Mr. McLeod moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
- On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:-

Clause 5, sub-section (1), line 11, omit the words "by for" and insert the words "for by." Clause 15, sub-section (6), line 37, omit the word "and," and at the end of the line insert the words "and the Minister of Mines."

Clause 22, at the commencement of the clause insert the words "The Governor in Council may
by Order published in the Government Gazette direct that."

at the end of the clause add the words "and any such Order may at any time be

at the end of the clause add the words "and any such Order may at any time be revoked by the Governor in Council."

Clause 34, sub-section (1), line 19, omit the words "an inspector" and insert the words "the Conservator of Forests."

Clause 40, line 5, omit the words "until and," and at the end of the line insert the words "within three months from the time of the Crown taking possession of such forest produce."

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

13. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Mr. Bayles, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

AA. In section fourteen, sub-section (1.), paragraph (e), of the Principal Act before the word "valuer" in the second line the word "sworn" shall be inserted.

Mr. Bayles moved, That new clause AA be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Clause read a second time.

Mr. Bayles moved, That new clause AA be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and negatived.

Mr. Warde, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

BB. Dividing or levy societies that is any societies formed for any of the purposes mentioned in section five of the Principal Act and closing their funds discharging their liabilities and dividing their assets (if any) annually shall be exempt from the provisions of section two of this Act.

Mr. Warde moved, That new clause BB be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Clause read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

Mr. Beazley, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

CC. That the Council Masters Chapter of the Grand United Order of Oddfellows consisting of past-masters of the said Order shall be exempt from the operation of section twenty-five of Act No. 1094.

Mr. Beazley moved, That new clause CC be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 15. ADJOURNMENT. Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty minutes past four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. McCutcheon presented a Petition from certain Chinese residents of Victoria, praying that they may be heard by counsel at the Bar of the House relative to the Factories (Employment of Chinese) Bill and the matters contained in the Petition, and that the House will grant such relief as it may deem just.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were presented by Mr. Bent, and the same were read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 16.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 provide for the payment of fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 10th September, 1907.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 17.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the State Government House, 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 twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

State Government House,

Melbourne, 12th September, 1907.

4. Papers.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906—

Part VI.—Social Condition.

Part VII.-Vital Statistics, &c.

Mr. Bent presented-

Youths Employed in Railway Department.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 23rd July, 1907, for a return for the years ending 30th June, 1903, and 30th June, 1907, respectively, showing—

1. The total number of employes, permanent and temporary, in the Railway

Department.

- 2. The total number of youths under eighteen years of age employed, distinguishing between those permanently and those temporarily employed.
- 3. The classes of work on which such youths are employed; the numbers employed in each of such classes of work; and the rates of pay in each class.
- 4. The number of youths employed in positions which involve the handling of cash.
 5. The number of youths employed in positions which involve any responsibility for the safety of the travelling public.

Mr. Mackinnon presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts.—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return showing Material purchased and Prices paid for Goods obtained outside the Commonwealth by the Law Department during the financial years 1905-6 and 1906-7.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

(500 copies.)

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1907.

Education Act 1890.—Addition to Regulation No. V. (Staffs, Appointments, and Transfers of Teachers, and Maintenance Allowances).—Order in Council.

5. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz. :-

> In clause 4, line 30, the figure "6" has been omitted and the letters "vi." inserted. In clause 13, line 44, the word "two" has been omitted and the word "three" inserted.

6. Forests Bill-Clerk's Correction.-Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this Bill, viz.:-

In clause 7, at the commencement of the clause, the figure "(1)" has been inserted.

7. MURRAY RIVER WATERS 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 and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Message from the Legislative Council.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes."

> H. J. WRIXON. President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th September, 1907.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 17th September, 1907.

Ordered - That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration

of the amendments after third reading of this Lill having been read—
Debate resumed on the question—That the word "council," in clause 7, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "ratepayers."

Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put. The House divided.

Ayes, 23. Mr. Boyd, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Warde, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Watt, Mr. Craven, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. Cullen, Mr. Oman, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Downward, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Murray, Tellers. Mr. Duffus, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Weedon. Mr. Smith, Mr. Elmslie. Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gurr, Tellers. Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keogh.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Swinburne, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:

Clause 11, at the commencement of the clause insert the words "Save as otherwise provided in this Act."

line 29, omit the words "to be."

Clause 23, sub-section (1), line 41, before the word "month" insert the word "the." Clause 23, sub-section (1), page 9, line 2, after the word "lands" insert the words "or on land or property vested in or belonging to the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners.'

On the motion of Mr. Boyd, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill:—

Clause 32, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-section-

(3) Any such transferred officer shall remain eligible for re-transfer or appointment to any position for which he is qualified in any department of the Public Service as if he had continued to hold the position in the Department of Mines and Water Supply which he held immediately before his transfer to the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.

Clause 34, paragraph (a), at the end of the paragraph, omit the word "and."

Clause 50, lines 7-9, omit the words "not to exceed Two shillings and sixpence in the pound on the municipal valuation."

, at the end of the clause add -

"Provided that, subject to the provisions of section two hundred and sixty-one of the Water Act 1905, no such rate shall exceed the amount of Two shillings and sixpence in the pound of the rateable value of any of the lands and tenements in respect of which it is made and levied."

Clause 51, line 15, after the word "Commissioners" insert the words "or to the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners for the use of such commissioners respectively."

at the end of the clause, add the words "and the Trust shall supply water to the Victorian Railways Commissioners and to the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners accordingly."

at the end of the clause as amended, add the words "This section shall not apply to the supply of water to the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners for use in farm-

ing operations."

Mr. Boyd, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

AA. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act-

(1) The Governor in Council at any time after the first election of commissioners upon a petition signed by a majority of the ratepayers of the town of Geelong or of the borough of Newtown and Chilwell or of the borough of Geelong West respectively, praying that future commissioners representing the municipality to which the petition relates shall be elected by the ratepayers and not by the council thereof may by Order declare that from a date to be named in such Order all future commissioners representing such municipality shall be elected by the ratepayers and not by the council thereof; and such commissioners shall be so elected accordingly.

(2) The Governor in Council upon a like petition praying that the Order be revoked may

revoke the same.

(3) The Governor in Council may make regulations prescribing the time for and manner of and any matters necessary or convenient to be prescribed with respect to elections of commissioners by paternavers

- (4) It shall not be necessary for any person to hold the office of councillor in any municipality in order to render such person eligible for election by ratepayers as a commissioner or to qualify such person to be or continue a commissioner if so elected; but no person shall be so eligible for election or qualified to be or continue a commissioner, if elected by ratepayers, unless he is liable to be rated under this Act in respect of some land or tenement in the municipal district of the municipality by the ratepayers of which he is to be or is elected; and if any commissioner so elected becomes disqualified his office shall thereupon become vacant.
- (5) At every election of commissioners by ratepayers every person shall be entitled to vote who would be entitled to vote if such election were an election of councillors, and may record the same number of votes as he would be entitled to record at an election of councillors.

(6) For the purpose of giving effect to this section the other provisions of this Act shall be read and construed with such modifications as may be necessary.

And the said clause was read a second time.

On the motion of Mr. Boyd, the clause was amended by omitting the words "after the first election of commissioners," in line 1 of sub-section (1).

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the word "majority," in line 2 of sub-section (1), be omitted.

Question-That the word proposed to be admitted stand part of the clause-put.

The House divided.

Noes, 8. Ayes, 15. Mr. Boyd, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Watt. Mr. McKenzie, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Campbell, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Glass, Tellers. Mr. Weedon. Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Craven, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Warde. Mr. Farrer, Tellers. Mr. Gurr, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Holden. Mr. Mackey,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Boyd, the clause was further amended by omitting the word "future" and inserting the word "the," in line 3 of sub-section (1).

Mr. Boyd moved, That new clause AA, as amended, be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Clause read a third time and added to the Bill.

Mr. Boyd, by leave, offered the following new clause be added to the Bill :-

BB. All other employés of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission who were immediately before the commencement of this Act employed by the Commission for the purposes of the supply of water to the area comprised within the limits described in section sixty-nine of the Water Act 1905 shall on the appointed day and without further or other authority than this Act be transferred to the employment of the Trust and shall continue in the employment of the Trust as if they had been appointed under this Act, and this Act shall apply to them accordingly.

And the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

On the motion of Mr. Boyd, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:—
In the Second Schedule, omit the word "Bulwarra" and insert the word "Bolwarra."

Mr. Watt, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act any fifty persons whose names are inscribed on the roll of any municipal district qualified to elect commissioners in accordance with the provisions of section seven hereof may by writing under their hands delivered to the chairman or clerk of such municipal district demand that the question whether or not the Trust be constituted be submitted to a poll of the ratepayers of the area comprised in the Trust.

Mr. Watt moved, That new clause A be now read a second time.

Question—put.

The House divided.

	Ayes, 8.	Noes, 15.				
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Watt.	Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mackinnon,			
Mr. J. W. Billson,		Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,			
Mr. Glass,	Tellers.	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McLeod,			
Mr. Smith,	Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Craven,	Mr. Weedon.			
Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Cullen,				
		Mr. Farrer,	Tellers.			
	•	Mr. Gurr,	1 etters.			
		Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Carlisle,			
		Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Holden.			

And so it passed in the negative.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. YOUTHS EMPLOYED IN RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—MEMORANDUM.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Memorandum from the Victorian Railways Commissioners, dated 2nd September, 1907, with reference to the employment of youths in the Railway Department, be laid before this House. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. PAPERS .-- Mr. Bent presented-

Youths Employed in Railway Department - Memorandum. - Return to the foregoing Order.

Caulfield to South Yarra Railway Regrading.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th September, 1907, for a return showing—

- 1. The number of level crossings which will be done away with when the regrading works from Caulfield to South Yarra are completed.
- 2. The amount of wages per annum which will be saved by doing away with these level crossings.
- 3. The amount per annum which it is estimated will be saved by such regrading in the cost of running trains between Caulfield and South Yarra.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th September, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

- 5. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 18, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

. Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. Mackinnon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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- 6. RAILWAYS OFFICERS TRANSFER BILL.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the transfer of certain Officers from the Railways Service to the Public Service"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill.—Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain Lands in the Parish of Sherwood as Sites for Military and other public purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. E. H. Cameron, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. McLeod, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Local Government Act 1903' and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 9. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL.—Mr. Swinburne, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Mackinnon, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 10. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. WAYS AND MEANS—INCOME TAX.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved — That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall, pursuant to the Income Tax Acts, be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and eight, are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Threepence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Fourpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Fivepence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixpence;

(b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Sixpence:

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Eightpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Tenpence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Twelvepence;

- (c) On the income of any company liable to tax (not being a life assurance company) for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sevenpence;
- (d) On the taxable amount of the income of any company which carries on in Victoria the business of life assurance for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Eightpence.

Provided that a person (not being a company) whose income from personal exertion and the produce of property during the year immediately preceding the year of assessment did not exceed Two hundred pounds shall not be liable to tax.

Provided further that the amount of income tax for which each person (not being a company) would except for this proviso be chargeable for the said year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and eight, shall be reduced by twenty per centum.

Provided further that there shall be deducted from the gross amount of each taxpayer's income any gift of any sum over Twenty pounds paid by him during the year to or for any free public library, or any free public museum, or any public institution for the promotion of science and art (including Working Men's Colleges and Schools of Mines), or any public university or any public hospital or public benevolent asylum or public dispensary, whether any such library or other institution is or is not in existence at the time of such gift.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

12. INCOME TAX BILL.—Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to deciare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bib, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Ordered-That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

13. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

14. Ways and Means—Administration and Probate Duties.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That Part V. of the Administration and Probate Act 1890 as amended by the Administration and Probate Act 1903 and the Administration and Probate Duties Act 1903 (No. 2) shall apply to the real and personal estate of every person dying between the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and nine, and to all persons liable to pay any duty in respect thereof.

Provided that no duty shall be payable in respect of any bequest or settlement to or for any free public library, free public museum, or any public institution for the promotion of science and art (including Working Men's Colleges and Schools of Mines), or public university, public hospital, public benevolent asylum, or public dispensary.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agree I to by the House

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. Mackey do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

15. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

- 16. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, Le postponed until to-morrow.
- 17. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the Notices of Motion, Private Bill Business.
- 3. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes.
 - The Report of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, indorsed on the Petition, was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—
 - "We hereby certify that we have examined into the compliance by the Petitioners for this Bill with the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, and have the honour to report to your Honorable House as follows:—
 - "1. That the Petitioners have complied with all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills, except as to the time when advertisements should have been inserted, notices given, and documents deposited.
 - "2. We are of opinion that full compliance with these Orders may be dispensed with.

"A. W. CRAVEN, "THOS. G. WATSON, Examiners."

- Question—That Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Roman Catholic Trusts Bill.—Mr. Bennett obtained leave, with Mr. Beazley, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time.
- 5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS AMENDMENT (COMPULSORY PURCHASE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Prendergast moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Bent moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate-

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 23. Noes, 15. Mr. Bayles, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Bennett, Mr. McBride, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bent, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Glass, Mr. Watt. Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Craven, Mr. Membrey, Mr. McGrath, Tellers. Mr. Cullen, Mr. Oman, Mr. Murray, Mr. Downward, Mr. Stanley. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Harris, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Warde. Tellers. Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Keogh.

And so it resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered-That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 3rd October next.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Thursday, 31st October next, and No. 4 until Thursday, 3rd October next.
- 7. Ancient Lights Declaratory Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bayles 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 committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bayles, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

- 8. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 6 be postponed until Thursday, 14th November next.
- 9. Old-age Pensions Rate Increase Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 1st October next.

Dehate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

13. INCOME TAX BILL.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

"Income Tax Bill—Third reading."

Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had again gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments mule by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third

 ${f time}.$

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

14. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Watt, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:-

Clause 3, sub-section (2), at the end of the sub-section add the words "or any woman's refuge or ladies benevolent society or miners' benevolent fund."

On the motion of Mr. Bent, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 3, sub-section (2), at the end of the sub-section as amended, add the words "Provided that such public library or museum or other public institution is situate within Victoria."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 22 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 1st October next.
- 16. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-nine minutes past four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 1st October next.

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 19.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 'Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906."
- "An Act to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim."
- "An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seven."
- "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 24th September, 1907.

3. Administration and Probate Duties Bill—Clerk's Correction.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this Bill, viz.:—

In clause 3, sub-section (2), line 15, before the word "for" the word "or" has been inserted.

- 4. Papers.—Mr. Bent presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1906.
 - Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906.—Part VIII.—Population.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts.—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—
Returns showing Material purchased and Prices paid for Goods obtained outside the Commonwealth during the financial year 1906-7—

By the Chief Secretary's Department.

By the Education Department.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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(500 copies.)

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

Children's Court Act 1906.—Additional Regulations.—Order in Council.

Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1905.—First Report of the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners for the year ending 31st December, 1906, including Statement of Accounts.

Marine Act 1890-

Additional Regulation relating to the Examination of Masters and Mates. Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea.

Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1905.—Regulation 4, Section 33.—Standardization of Milk and Cream Testing Appliances and Acids: System of Weighing Milk and Cream, Taking Samples, and Reading Tests.—Order in Council.

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1907. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Annual Report, 1906-7.

Vogetation Diseases Acts-

Regulations.—Order in Council.

Regulations authorizing Inspectors to Charge Fees and Expenses for Inspecting any Tree, Plant, or Vegetable.—Order in Council.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1907.

- 5. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 6. Police Offences Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

7. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Conneil return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 1st October, 1907.

Ordered-That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

8. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker.

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law with respect to Medical Evidence in civil cases," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 1st October, 1907.

- 9. Medical Evidence Bill...-On the motion of Mr. Mackey, 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 Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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Legislative Council, Melbourne, 1st October, 1907.

11. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, 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 Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Attesting Documents under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1890," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

11. J. WRIXON,

Logislative Council, Melbourne, 1st October, 1907. President.

- 13. Transfer of Land (Attesting Documents) Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 and Nos. 4 to 19 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read-Mr. Mackey moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.
- On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :-
 - Clause 3, sub-section (1), line 12, omit the words "Sub-sections one and two" and insert the words "Sub-section one."

Clause 4, page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (a), line 14, omit the word "whether."

" page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (a), line 15, omit the word "not" and insert the words "(if the person charged consent in writing in the presence and on the request of the said Justices) sitting out of Sessions."

page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (b), line 17, before the word "consent" insert the words "in the presence and on the request of the said Justice."

Mr. Watt moved, as a further amendment, That the word "male," in clause 5, sub-section (1), line 22, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:-Clause 5, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :-

- (4) Any person who keeps or manages or acts or assists in the management of a brothel shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any time not exceeding two years.
- Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 3. Member Sworn.—F. Anstey, Esq., took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 4. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:-

 - Clause 16, line 41, omit "less than Twenty pounds or."
 , line 42, omit "One hundred" and insert "Forty."
 - 3. Insert the following new clause to follow clause 1:-
 - B. If any officer or employé of the Commissioners become insolvent or apply or take the benefit of any Act now or hereafter to be in force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or by any deed or other writing compound with his creditors, or make an assignment of his salary for their benefit he shall be deemed to have forfeited his office unless he satisfies the Commissioners that such embarrassment has not been caused or attended by any fraud extravagance or dishonorable conduct.

And the said amendments 1 and 2 were read a second time and agreed to.

Amendment 3-

Mr. Bent moved, That this amendment be read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House 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, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 23 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

7. Adjournment.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 32.

THURSDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. ORDER OF BUSINESS-SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.-Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of Private Business and Government Business on Thursday be suspended for this day so as to allow Government Business to take precedence during the whole of the sitting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

1907.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1907-8.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 20.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1907-8, in lieu of the Estimate of Expenditure for the first three months of the Year 1907-8, transmitted on 9th July, 1907, and 4th September, 1907, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd October, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

- 4. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

5. Supply.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—

Resolved.—That a sum not exceeding £788,782 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1907-8, viz.:-

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4.	Victorian Parliamentary I	Debates	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	615
5.	The Library	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	155
6.	State Reading Room	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	280
7.	Refreshment Rooms	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	220
8.	Public Service Commission	ner	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	330
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10.	Government Statist	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1,950
11.	Police	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	48,000
12.	Penal Establishments and	Gaols	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	9,270
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6. Ways and Means. - The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

7. Ways and Means.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1907-8 the sum of £788,782 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered -That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

8. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).—Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eighty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty-two points to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 21 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at fifty-five minutes past three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petitions.—Mr. Tunnecliffe presented a Petition from certain residents of Victoria, being adult workers engaged in the manufacture and preparation of starch, praying—
 - (a) That, either by amendment of the Factories and Shops Acts or otherwise, the lowest rates which may be paid to adult workers employed in the manufacture of starch may be prescribed by Parliament itself, and that the House may be pleased to pass the necessary legislation for that purpose.
 - (b) That the rates to be so fixed may be not less than 48s. in the case of males, and 30s. in the case of females, for the week of 48 hours.
 - (c) That sub-section (8) of section 123 of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 may be amended so that where any question concerning the profits of a business becomes material to the issue counsel for the opposite side shall have access to all evidence affecting such question, and shall have the right to cross-examine witnesses thereon, and to call rebutting evidence.
 - (d) That sub-section (b) of section 83 of the last-mentioned Act may be repealed.
 - (e) That the House may be pleased to afford to your Petitioners such further or other relief in the premises as it in its wisdom may deem meet.

On the motion of Mr. Tunnecliffe, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Tunnecliffe moved, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. McCutcheon presented a Petition from certain shopkeepers representing the Metropolitan Shopkeepers' Association, praying that the House will repeal the early closing provisions of the Factories and Shops Act 1905, and so allow them to conduct their business with the same freedom as before.
- Mr. McCutcheon presented a Petition from certain citizens of the State, praying that the House will establish a system of cottage homes in village colonies, under trained house-mothers, as the best means for the protection of infant life.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. Papers.—Mr. Bent presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts — Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return showing Material purchased and Prices paid for Goods obtained outside the Commonwealth by the Railway Department during the financial year ending 30th June, 1907.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented-

Public Servants in General Division with Six Years' Service.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th September, 1907, for a return showing the number of males in the General Division of the Public Service who have over six years of service, their ages, length of service, and salaries.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Closer Settlement Act 1904.—Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the year ended 30th June, 1907

(500 copies.)

Education Act 1890.—Clause 5 of Regulation No. XI. amended.—Order in Council.

Neglected Children's Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Dietary Scale.—Order in Council.

Public Service Acts-

Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Health.

Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Public Works.

Regulations.—Classification of Trofessional Division.—Department of Tuble v Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Agriculture. Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—General. Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Department of Law.

4. Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill.—Mr. Mackey moved, pursuant to notice, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Privace Bills, except those relating to the payment of fees, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in trust for The Collins-street Independent Church.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in trust for The Collins-street Independent Church"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5 Workers' Accidents Compensation Bill.-Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Bent, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for Compensation to Workers for injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment": and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions" without amendment.

> H. J. WRIXON. President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 8th October, 1907.

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to 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 eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts" without amendment.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 8th October, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

Mr. Sphaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts" without amendment.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 8th October, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 9. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:-
 - 1. Clause 3, line 13, at end of line add "except at public auction."
 - 2. Clause 7, at end of clause add "or salvage from shipwreck."
 - 3. Insert the following new clause to follow clause 3:-
 - A. Notwithstanding anything contained in section thirty-eight of the Principal Act, the fact that any brassfounder or finisher or art metal worker is or closing of premises of brassfounders &c. under the said Act licensed as a dealer in special wares, shall not debar the premises in which the business of such brassfounder finisher or art metal worker is carried on-
 - (a) from being opened (except on Sundays and public holidays) at six o'clock in the morning; or

(b) from being kept open (except on Sundays and public holidays) after the hours specified in the said section for manufacturing purposes only and not for receiving or dealing in or buying or selling special wares.

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.
- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7 to 21 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Police Stations Rented in Metropolitan Electorates.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Anstey, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of rented police stations in each electorate within the metropolitan area, and the amount of annual rent for each station.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. Petitions.—Mr. Downward presented a Petition from H. Herlitz, styling himself President, W. L. Grierson, styling himself Secretary, and H. Kelly, styling himself Convener Public Questions Committee, members of the Council of Churches of Victoria, praying that the House will reject the Factories (Employment of Chinese) Pill.

Mr. McCutcheon presented a Petition from George Fairbairn, styling himself President, and Robt. S. Walpole, styling himself Secretary, representing the Victorian Employers' Federation, praying that the House will not allow the existence of the Industrial Appeal Court to be tampered with.

On the motion of Mr. McCutcheon, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk. Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

- 4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Police Offences Acts."

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1907.

Mr. Speaker

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eighty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight" without amendment.

II. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 9th October, 1907.

- 7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 23 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-three minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

THURSDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That the Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time. Ordered—That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Departmental Reports from the Crown Solicitor and the Commissioner of Titles, together with a memorandum from the Parliamentary Draftsman, with reference to the Bill were laid upon the Table of the House by Mr. Bent, and were ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

3. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. A. A. Billson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate-

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

Debate continued.

Sir Alexander Peacock 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 Thursday, 14th November next.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until Thursday next, and Nos. 5 and 6 until Thursday, 14th November next.
- 5. Courts of Mines and County Courts Bill. The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, on Thursday, 14th November next, again resolve itself into the

- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 8 be postponed until Thursday, 14th November next.
- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACTS AMENDMENT (COMPULSORY PURCHASE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question-That this Bill be now read a second timehaving been read-

Debate resumed.

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And the debate not being concluded by one o'clock-

Ordered-That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 24th October instant.

8. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 10 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Thursday next.

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- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after Nos. 3 and 4.
- 10. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

11. MEDICAL EVIDENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.		Noes, 16.		
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Outtrim,	
Mr. Bent,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Prendergast,	
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sangster,	
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	
Mr. Forrest,	Sir Alexander Peacock,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Warde.	
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. J. Cameron,		
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Swinburne.	Mr. Cullen,	Tellers.	
Mr. Mackey,	}	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Elmslie,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	Tellers.	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McGrath.	
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Thomson,			
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Watt.			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third

On the motion of Mr. Bent, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:-

Clause 13, line 11, omit the words "and ten shillings."
Clause 14, sub-section (1), line 16, after the word "timber" insert the words "over existing railways."

Clause 17, line 39, omit the word "shall" and insert the word "may."
,, line 42, omit the word "shall" and insert the word "may."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 5 to 23 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 14. Adjournment.-Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

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No. 36.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Bayles presented a Petition from George Fairbairn, styling himself President, and Robt. S. Walpole, styling himself Secretary, representing the Victorian Employers' Federation, praying that the House will not pass the Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.
 - On the motion of Mr. Bayles, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 21.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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 declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights."
 "An Act to increise the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions."
- "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts."
- "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tox for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 8th October, 1907.

4. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—CLERK'S CORRECTION.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this

In clause 4, sub-section (1), paragraph (b), page 3, line 8, at the end of the paragraph, the word "or" has been inserted.

- 5. Papers .- Mr. Bent presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-Report of the Council of Judges under Section 33 of the Supreme Court Act 1890.
 - Sir Alexander Peacock presented-Police Stations Rented in Metropolitan Electorates.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th October, 1907, for a return showing the number of rented police stations in each electorate within the metropolitan area, and the amount of annual rent for each station.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

- 6. Tobacco Sellers Bill.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Boyd, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Sellers of Tobacco Cigars Cigarettes and Snuff"; and the said Bili was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 23rd October instant.
- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after No. 5.

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8. FACTORIES (EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

Mr. Bent moved, That the Petition presented to the House on the 17th September last, from certain Chinese residents of Victoria, with reference to this Bill be now read.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Bent moved, That the Petitioners be heard by counsel upon their Petition at the Bar of the House on the second reading of the Bill.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That counsel be heard on Tuesday next, and that the consideration of the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill be postponed until Tuesday next.

- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive and Nos. 6 to 13 inclusive be postponed until after No. 14.
- 10. Repanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo, Railway.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Rupanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo, he referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction 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 House divided.

Ayes	, 35.	Noes	s, 13.
Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGrath,	Mr. Downward,	Mr. Stanley.
Mr. Bent,	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Forrest,	J
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Gray,	m.n.
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Langdon,	Tellers.
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Oman,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Duffus,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,	Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Thomson.
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,	•	
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Robertson,		
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Swinburne,		•
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Toutcher,		
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Weedon,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins.		
Mr. Harris,			
Mr. Holden,	C. 11		
Mr. Hunt,	Tellers.		
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Argyle,		
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr Elmslie.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered-That the Bill be considered in Committee to-morrow.

- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive, 6 to 13 inclusive, and Nos. 15 to 21 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-two minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Mrssage from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Swinburne, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 22.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 Seven hundred and eighty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th October, 1907.

- 3. Savings Banks Acts further Amendment Bill.—Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Savings Banks Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 4. Mandurang Land Resumption Bill.—Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. Boyd, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House 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 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-two minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

THURSDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Postponement of Order of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 31st October instant.
- 3 DANDENONG LANDS ACT 1892 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.—Mr. Speaker said.—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill."

 Mr. Keast moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, in accordance with Standing Order No. 131 relating to Private Bills, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Keast 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments, and with an amended title, which title is as follows :-

"A Bill to amend the Dandenong Lands Act 1892 and for other purposes."

And the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Keast, read a third time.

- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Thursday, 31st October instant.
- 5. Wimmera Districts and Southern Mallee Area—Control of Water Supply.—Mr. Swinburne moved, pursuant to notice, That, in view of a considerable expenditure being required in the near future for the construction and entargement of channels in the Wimmera Districts and Southern Malice area, and the difficulties arising in connexion with the distribution of water and the efficient maintenance of works therein on account of the control being divided between several authorities, the Report of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission on the Storage and Distribution of Water in these districts, which was presented to the House on the 14th August, 1907, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report as to-
 - (1) Whether it is desirable to place the administration of the whole or part of the system of water distribution under one control, and
 - (2) Whether, in the event of the Committee recommending that the said districts be placed under one control, the controlling authority should be the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.

Debate ensued.

- Sir Alexander Peacock moved, as an amendment, That before the word "inquiry," in line 8, the word "immediate" be inserted, and that before the word "report," in line 9, the word "early" be inserted.
- Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative. (500 copies).

- Question—That, in view of a considerable expenditure being required in t'e near future for the construction and enlargement of channels in the Winmera Districts and Southern Mallee area, and the difficulties arising in connexion with the distribution of water and the efficient maintenance of works therein on account of the control being divided between several authorities, the Report of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission on the Storage and Distribution of Water in these districts, which was presented to the House on the 14th August, 1907, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for immediate inquiry and early report as to-
 - (1) Whether it is desirable to place the administration of the whole or part of the system of water distribution under one control, and
 - (2) Whether, in the event of the Committee recommending that the said districts be placed under one control, the controlling authority should be the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read.—Mr. Swinburne moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Boyd 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 Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Boyd, read a third time.
- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 9. SHERWOOD RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackey 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 Committee of the whole House.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Thomson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 11. COLLINS-STREET INDEPENDENT CHURCH LANDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackey 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 8 to 21 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT. -Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Savings Banks Acts.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th October, 1907.

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this
- 3. Savings Banks Acts further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 23, having been read-On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Savings Banks Acts.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

4. BEECH FOREST TO WANGERRIP RAILWAY .- Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 2ft. 6in. narrow-gauge railway from Beech Forest to Wangerrip be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 5. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until to-morrow.
- 6. TRANSFER OF LAND (ATTESTING DOCUMENTS) BILL .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackinnon 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

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7. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

8. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 22nd October, 1907.

Ordered-That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.
- 10. Railway Officers Transfer Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, on Wednesday, 30th October instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at seven o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive, and Nos. 11 to 17 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 14. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 15. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 19 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair
- 2. VETERINARY EXAMINATION OF STALLIONS.—Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a Report and a copy of all papers relating to the Veterinary Examination of Stallions by the Department of Agriculture. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. Papers.—Mr. Swinburne presented—

Veterinary Examination of Stallions .- Return to the foregoing Order.

Mr. Bent presented-

Railway Rates on Dairy and other Produce to Melbourne and North Geelong.-Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th December, 1906, for a return showing the quantity of fruit, butter, eggs, poultry, rabbits, and meat respectively consigned to Melbourne, Port Melbourne, or Williamstown during each of the past twelve months from all railway stations (giving each station separately) from which the rates of freight to North Geelong would not be 5s. per ton more than the rate from the same stations to Melbourne.

Severally 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:

Companies Act 1890 .- Summary of Statements for the year 1906 made by the Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.

- 4. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

- -The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:-
 - 1. Clause 7, insert new sub-clause :--
 - (3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Public Service Acts the Governor in Council may on the recommendation of the Minister of Forests declare that all or any specified provisions of the said Acts shall not apply to
 - any particular forest officer or officers.

 2. Clause 16, page 6, line 44, after "purposes," add "Any land so excised for water supply purposes may be vested by the Governor in Council (subject to such terms conditions and reservations as he may think fit) in any authority as defined in section three of the Water Act 1905, or in any corporate body now or hereafter to be created by Parliament to construct manage and control waterworks.

 - page 7, line 1, omit "this" and insert "the preceding."
 Clause 18, line 26, after "purpose" insert "other than those authorized by section sixteen."
 - 5. Clause 35, line 22, omit "seven" and insert "fourteen."
 - line 23, omit "grass fibres leaves or stubble" and insert "dead wood branches 6. of trees leaves or other refuse."
 - at end of sub-clause (1) line 24, add "Provided that similar precautions are 7. taken inside the forest boundary adjoining such owner or occupier as set out in this sub-section.'

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1-

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 19.		
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Anstey, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Toutcher,	
Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock,	Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Ward, Mr. Watt.	
Mr. Gurr, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne.	Mr. Livingston, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor,	Tellers. Mr. Elmslie.	
Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Wilkins. Tellers.	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. McGrath.	
Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason,	Mr. Argyle, Mr. Duffus.			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 1 agreed to.

Amendments 2 to 5 inclusive, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 6-

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Murray moved, as an amendment, That the words "dead wood" be omitted from the amendment.

And after debate-

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the amendment-put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 21.	
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Glass, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Murray, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde. Tellers. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 6 agreed to.

Amendment 7 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

6. INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:—

Clause 9, sub-section (2), line 30, after the word "syphilis" insert the words "or epilepsy or any disease which the Governor in Council may by Order published in the Government Gazette declare to be of a serious nature."

Clause 11, line 31, after the word "syphilis" insert the words "or epilepsy or any disease which the Governor in Council may by Order published in the Government Gazette declare to be of a serious nature."

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 1, sub-section (1), line 7, after the words "day of" insert the word "December."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos.
 4 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 8. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

 Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 41.

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Roman Catholic Trusts Bill.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That the Bill to provide for the creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith and for other purposes be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, 7th November next.
- 4. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th November next.
- 5. Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Bill.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for Hospitals and Charitable Institutions in Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th November next.
- 6. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker le't the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-five minutes past three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN.

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 24.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890."
- "An Act to amend the Police Offences Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 22nd October, 1907.

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

> Marine Act 1890.—Additional Regulation relating to the Equipment of Ships with Lifesaving Appliances.

> Public Service Act 1901.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the Promotion of Herbert Seaton Lynch from the Third to the Second Class in the Department of Chief Secretary.

4. SAVINGS BANKS OFFICERS.—Mr. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all officers in the service of the Savings Banks Commissioners, their period of service, and the salary of each officer.

Debate ensued. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. FACTORIES (EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, Mr. Speaker said—"On the 15th October instant the House was pleased to take into consideration the Petition presented on the 17th September last by the Honorable Member for St. Kilda from certain Chinese residents of Victoria, praying that they may be heard by Counsel at the Bar relative to this Bill and the matters contained in the Petition, and at the instance of the Honorable the Premier the House was pleased to grant leave to the Petitioners to be so heard on the second reading of the Bill. Learned Counsel are now in attendance awaiting the pleasure of the House."

Then the Counsel were called in, and were heard; and then Counsel were directed to withdraw. Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill be postponed until Wednesday, 6th November next.

6. Days of Meeting and Friday Sitting—Suspension of Sessional Orders.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the Days of Meeting and the Order of Business be suspended during this week, and that during the remainder of the present week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, at two o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past ten o'clock on Wednesday and Thursday, and after half-past four o'clock on Friday.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

7. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Thursdays be suspended during the present week, and that Government Business take precedence during the whole of the sitting on Thursday next.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past two o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. WESTERN DISTRICT CLOSER SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act amending and declaring the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Land," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th October, 1907.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

11. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Mackey, 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 Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to scour cleanse and keep open certain Drains constructed by Owners of Lands," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th October, 1907.

- 13. Drainage of Land Bill.—On the motion of Mr. J. Cameron, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday next.
- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 17 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 15. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

 Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Charitable Institutions.—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1907. Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS BILL.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Boyd, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to establish two Permanent Railway Reserve Funds"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
- 4. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 5. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th October, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in trust for The Collins-street Independent Church" without amendment.

N. FITZGERALD,
Acting-President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 30th October, 1907.

6. 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 House, at thirty minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the Roman Catholic Trusts Bill; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Studley Park Bridge Land Bill.—Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the re-vesting in the Crown of certain Land granted to Trustees as and for a Road and Approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a Site for a Toll House and Out Offices in connexion with such Bridge the Cancellation of the Crown Grant and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
- 4. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next, at eleven o'clock.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Days of Meeting and Order of Business—Suspension of Sessional Orders.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the Days of Meeting and the Order of Business be suspended during next week, and that during next week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, at eleven o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past ten o'clock.

 Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 6. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

 Resolved—That this House 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, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
- 8. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-five minutes past three o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. FLINDERS-STREET RAILWAY STATION-AMENDED PLANS .- Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House plans showing the various alterations in the new Railway Station at Flinders-street.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Bent presented—

Flinders-street Railway Station-Amended Plans.--Return to the foregoing Order.

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:

Exhibition Trustees .- Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for

the year ended 30th June, 1907.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for the year ended 30th June, 1907.

4. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 25.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to establish Two Permanent Railway Reserve Funds.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 31st October, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

5. RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 25, having been read-On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to establish Two Permanent Railway Reserve Funds.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.

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7. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

And having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock-

THURSDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction—Railway Rates.—
Mr. Mackey moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the railway rates to be charged under the Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :--

Resolved—That for the purpose of being paid into the Western Area Closer Settlements Fundathere shall be made and levied for thirteen and a half years an annual railway rate according to the following scale on the owner of all private land not acquired by the Crown which is within eleven miles of any railway station in the Western District Area as described in the Schedule to the Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill, namely:—

(1) In the case of land not more than five miles from a railway station, the rate shall be One-pound per centum per annum on the capital value of such land;

(2) In the case of land which is more than five miles and not more than eight miles from a railway station, the rate shall be Fifteen shillings per centum per annum on the capital value of such land; and

(3) In the case of land which is more than eight miles and not more than eleven miles from a railway station, the rate shall be Ten shillings per centum per annum on the capital value of such land.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

9. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration this day.

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 21 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.
- 11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until this day, at two o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-eight minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 46.

THURSDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Companies Act 1896.—Regulation as to Fees.—Order in Council.

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act 1903-

Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Hospitals for the Insane (2 papers). Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Stamps Act 1890.—Alteration of Rules.—Order in Council.

- 3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day Government Business, be postponed until after the Notices of Motion, Private Bill Business.
- 4. Roman Catholic Trusts Bill.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trust es in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested be now taken into consideration.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bennett moved, That the House agree to the amendments made by the Select Committee in this Bill, and to the amended title, which is as follows:—"A Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria

may be vested and for other purposes."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 5. Roman Catholic Trusts Bill.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to notice, That Standing Orders Numbers 130 and 148 relating to Private Bills be dispensed with so far as regards a Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. Roman Catholic Trusts Bill.—Mr. Speaker having reported that the Clerk had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—On the motion of Mr. Bennett, moved pursuant to notice, the said Bill was, after debate, read a third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 7. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to amended notice, That one-half of all fees incurred by the Promoters of the Bill to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria and to Associations connected therewith may be vested and for other purposes on its passage through this House be remitted.

Debate ensued.

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Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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8. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Bent moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and negatived.

Resolved-That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

9. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. Suspension of Sessional Order—Limitation of Fresh Business.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening, so far as to allow the Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill to be proceeded with after half-past ten o'clock this day.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

11. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 23 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

13. Adjournment. - Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

FRIDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY.—Mr. Warde, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed railway from Nyora to Woolamai; together with the Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Plan. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 26.

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

- "An Act relating to Attesting Documents under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1890."
- " An Act to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests."
- " An Act to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in trust for The Collinsstreet Independent Church."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 6th November, 1907.

4. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented—

Savings Banks Officers.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th October, 1907, for a return showing the names of all officers in the service of the Savings Banks Commissioners, their period of service, and the salary of each officer.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

5. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Mackey moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question-put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 32. Noes, 9. Mr. Bennett, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Stanley. Mr. Bent, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Oman, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Tellers. Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Livingston, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Murray, Mr. Smith. Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Craven, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Glass, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Graham, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt. Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Mackey, Tellers. Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Argyle, Mr. Mason, Mr. Lawson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Mr. Watt moved, as an amendment, That the words "without further or other authority than is conferred by this Part and the Railways Acts," in lines 35 to 37, of sub-section (1) of clause 19, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.	Noes, 11.
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Oman, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mason, Mr. McKen Mr. McLeod Mr. McLeod Mr. McLeod Mr. Coman, Mr. Roberts Mr. Stanley Mr. Swinbu Mr. Thomso Mr. Argyle, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Lawson	Peacock, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Smith, Mr. Glass, Mr. Tunnccliffe. Mr. McGrath, Mr. Murray, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-seven minutes past three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 48.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Prendergast presented a Petition from Stephen Barker, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the Conference of Trades, praying that they may be heard at the Bar of the House by their President and Secretary relative to the retention in the Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill of the Court of Industrial Appeals, and that the House may be pleased to grant such relief as it may deem just.

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 27.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes": transmits to the Legislative Assembly for their consideration the following amendments which he

FIRST SCHEDULE.

In fourth line omit "proceeding in," substitute "bounded by."
In same line before "south" insert "bearing."
In fifth line omit "in" wherever occurring and substitute "by."

In same line omit "northerly."
In sixth line omit "easterly."
In same line omit "in "and substitute "by."
In seventh line before "south" insert "bearing."

SECOND SCHEDULE.

In second line omit "south."

In third line after "thence" insert "bounded."

In fifth line omit "northerly."

In same line omit "in," substitute "by."
In seventh line omit "in," substitute "by."
In same line omit "ten," substitute "eight."
In eighth line omit "in" wherever occurring and substitute "by."

- ()n the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House, after debate, agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.
- 4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

University Act 1890.—Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne, from 31st July, 1906, to 31st July, 1907; with Appendices.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-merrow, at two o'clock.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

7548. (500 copies.) 6. Order of Business—Suspension of Sessional Order.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Thursdays be suspended for this week so as to allow Government Business to take precedence during the whole of the sitting on Thursday next, Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Nyora to Woolamai. Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Conneil request that the Legislative Assembly will be pleased to communicate to the Legislative Council copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed in the present Session of Parliament on the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes."

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th November, 1907.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council transmitting copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on this Bill in accordance with the request of the Legislative Council.

9. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Water Act 1905.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under section 51 of the Act, that lands in the County of Rodney ought to be constituted an irrigation and water supply district; together with a plan showing the area.

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th November, 1907.

Ordered-That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

12. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to alter the Hour of Closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 12th November, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

- 13. Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, 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 Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:---

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Bill intituled "Ant Act to amend the Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes."

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President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 12th November, 1907.

- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 22 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 16. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at seven minutes past ten o'cloc's, adjourned until to-morrow

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 49.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. Ordered That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 15 inclusive be postponed until after No. 16.
- 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Prendergast 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill,

and agreed to the same without amendment.

- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Prendergast, read a third time.
- Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 4. INDEFERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey 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. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.

Ordered-That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 5 and 6.
- 6. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved-That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 7. Messages from the Legislative Council. Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:-

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang" without amendment. H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Crection of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

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8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. - Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :-

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :-

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Rullway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

Ordered-That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill,

and agreed to the same with amendments.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 6.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. -Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :-

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Lands in the Parish of Sherwood as sites for Military and other public purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive and Nos. 7 to 23 inclusive, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 15 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. TEGISLATIVE

No. 50,

THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.-Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the acquisition of Land for Closer Settlement in the Tolmie and Toombullup District and to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing such Land and the Crown Lands in the said district"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 3. NETHERBY AND NORTH-WESTERN MALLEE RAILWAY .- Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Netherby, Yanac-a-yanac, Cow Plains, and the north-western portion of the Mallee country by means of a line of railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the Crown and other lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question -put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Bulla Railway .- Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Bulla by means of a steam or electric railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land which will be enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. East Gippsland to New South Wales Border Railway.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice,
That the question of developing the East Gippsland country by means of a railway to eventually
connect with the New South Wales railway system, and in the meantime open up the Crown lands
between Bairnsdale and the New South Wales border and promote settlement, and also tap the
timber and mineral resources of the district, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of the said railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

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Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.—Mr. Bent 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time. Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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- 7. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress in the

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House 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, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 24 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 10. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

 Debate ensued.

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Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes past four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembl

FRANK MADDEN,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 51.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.-Mr. Livingston rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The question of the Coal Creek Mine."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—Mr. Livingston moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and negatived.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council: ---

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

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

- 4. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill .- On the motion of Mr. Bent, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second
- 5. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :-

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 19th November, 1907.

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- 6. JUSTICES (ORDERS TO REVIEW) BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Bent, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-
- 7. PAPERS.—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, 1906, to 31st December, 1906.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1906.

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8. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE .-- Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House congratulates The Clerk, Mr. Thomas Greenlees Watson, C.M.G., on the honour conferred upon him by His Majesty the King.

And, after debate-

Mr. Speaker said:-Before putting the motion I should like to say one word to indorse what has been said by the Premier, the Leader of the Opposition, and other Members of this House in support of it. Nobody knows so well as the Speaker the value of a good Clerk and a good staff. I will say this: No Speaker has been better served than I have been while I have held office, by Mr. Watson and those he has trained. I am perfectly confident that everybody in the community will be delighted that His Majesty the King has honoured so good and deserving a subject. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. Days and Hours of Meeting and Order of Business-Suspension of Sessional Orders.-Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the days and hours of meeting and the Order of Business be suspended for this week, and that during the remainder of the present week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at eleven o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past ten o'clock on Wednesday and Thursday and after half-past four o'clock on Friday.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. Petition.—Mr Watt presented a Petition from John Robertson, M.A., of Ascot Vale, teacher, praying that the House will publish his General Inspectoral Report on State education reform made in 1890-91, and will take his alleged grievances into consideration, and grant him relief.

On the motion of Mr. Watt, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

11. ULTIMA TO EUREKA RAILWAY.-Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ultima to Eureka be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Mr. Keast 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.

- 12. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
- 13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read -Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with a further amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:

Clause BB, line 5, omit the word "Act," and insert the word "Acts."
" CC, line 41, omit the word "inscribed," and insert the word "inserted."

Clause 14, sub-section (2), lines 1 and 2, omit the words "shops named in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act," and insert the words "hotels coffee houses eating houses and restaurants;" and before the word "meal" insert the word "substantial."

Clause 26, line 27, after the word "business" insert the word "occupation."

At the end of sub-section (1) of clause D insert :-

Provided that in cities towns and boroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual

weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough.

Transpose new clause A to follow clause CC, new clause D to follow Clause HH, new clause K to follow clause 27, and new clause KK to follow clause 11.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 25 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 52.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. RUPANYUP TO NEWALL'S CORNER, MARNOO, RAILWAY.—Mr. J. W. Billson, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Rupanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo, Railway; together with the Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Plan.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Woolamai, San Remo, and Cape Patterson Railway—Minutes of Evidence.—Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Minutes of Evidence given in 1905 before the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the general question of Railway Communication with Woolamai, San Remo, and Cape Patterson.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented—

Woolamai, San Remo, and Cape Patterson Railway-Minutes of Evidence.-Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 5. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the taking of a Referendum on Scripture Lessons in State Schools"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next
- 6. Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Land Vesting Bill.—Mr. Boyd obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' land situated in the city of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Bent, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Licensing Acts and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
- 8. ULTIMA TO EUREKA RAILWAY.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ultima to Eureka be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report—having been read—Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 9. INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Mackey moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.
- Mr. Prendergast moved, as an amendment, That the words "if he thinks fit," in line 12 of sub-section (2) of clause 4, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:

Clause 18, sub-section (1), line 26, after the word "shall" insert the words "unless otherwise prescribed."

line 27, after the word "probation" insert the word "personally." line 27, after the word "occupation" omit the words " to the prin-,, cipal officer of police" and insert the words "at the office of the member of the police force in charge of the police station."

sub-section (2), omit this sub-section.

Mr. Mackey moved, as a further amendment, That the following paragraph be inserted at the beginning of clause 19:-

"Where it appears to a justice by information on oath that any person so released has at any time during the period of probation-

- (a) failed to report his address and occupation at the times and in the manner required by or under this Act; or
- (b) been associating with reputed thieves or reputed cheats such justice may issue a summons under his hand requiring such person to attend before a court of petty sessions to be dealt with according to law or may issue a warrant under his hand to apprehend such offender and bring him before a court of petty sessions to be dealt with according to law. The provisions of section twenty-three of the Justices Act 1890 shall apply to every such summons."

Mr. Watt moved, That the proposed amendment be amended by the addition of the words "or other reputed criminals" after the word "cheats" at the end of paragraph (b).

Question-That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment be so added-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question-That the proposed amendment as amended be agreed to-put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :-Clause 19, paragraph (a), line 34, after the word "any" insert the word "such."

line 34, after the word "failed" insert the words "(without some excuse which such court deems reasonable)."

line 35, omit the words "to the person." ,,

line 36, after the word "by" insert the words "or under."

Mr. Mackey moved, as a further amendment, That after the word "or," in line 36, paragraph (a), of clause 19, the words "to have been so associating with reputed thieves or reputed cheats; or " be added.

Mr. Watt moved, That the proposed amendment be amended by the insertion of the words "or other reputed criminals" after the word "cheats."

Question-That the words proposed to be inserted in the proposed amendment be so inserted-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question-That the proposed amendment as amended be agreed to-put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill:-

Clause 22, sub-section (4), line 29, at the end of the sub-section add the words "and appoint a person to act temporarily as a member of the Board during the absence of any member through illness or any cause which in the opinion of the Governor in Council renders such temporary appointment necessary.'

Clause 25, paragraph (c), line 35, after the word "was" insert the words "an offence under section twenty-five of the Police Offences Act 1890 or section one hundred and fifty-three of the Licensing Act 1890 or an offence."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 10. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:-

 - Clause 14, line 15, after "including" insert "forty per centum of the."
 line 16, after "railways" insert "brought to such railways by the said line."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House. Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them

- that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments. 11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 24 inclusive be postponed until after No. 25.
- 12. Studley Park Bridge Land Bill .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackey 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

13. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Swinburne, and the same was read:—

R. TALBOT.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 28.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 20th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

14. Murray Settlement Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 28, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- 15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after Nos. 6 and 7.
- 16. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had come to certain

resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

17. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered - That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

18. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Mr. Lemmon moved, as an amendment, That the words "working for the trade," at the end of clause 6, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 11.

Noes, 35.

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Robertson. Tellers. Mr. Keast, Mr. Thomson.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr,	Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins.
		Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon,	Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. J. W. Billson.

And so it passed in the negative.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill:—

Clause 6, page 3, line 4, after the word "gardener" insert the word "or."

" at the end of the clause insert the words "in any business or occupation connected with the preparation of firewood for sale or connected with the sale or distribution of wood coke or coal."

Clause 7, paragraph (a), line 18, omit the word "six" and insert the word "seven."

Mr. Lemmon offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

R. Any person who directly or indirectly locks out any employé who is entitled to the benefit of any Determination or part of a Determination of a Special Board or Court of Industrial Appeals shall be guilty of an offence against this Act and shall upon conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds.

Mr. Lemmon moved, That new clause R be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.		${f Noes}$	Noes, 30.	
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Ayes, 16. Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Elmslie.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gur, Mr. Harris, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle,	
		Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Duffus.	

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Lemmon offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

T. The following interpretation is hereby added at the end of section five of the Principal Act:—

"Living wage" means sufficient to provide for the normal needs of the average employé of the trade concerned regarded as a human being in a civilized community and sufficient to provide food shelter clothing frugal comfort and provision for old age.

Mr. Lemmon moved, That new clause T be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and negatived,

Mr. Lemmon offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

U. Any person who dismisses an employé from his place of employment because the employé is a member of a Special Board or for giving evidence before a Special Board or Court of Industrial Appeals shall be guilty of a contravention of this Act and upon conviction shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds for each employé so dismissed.

In every case it shall lie upon the employer to satisfy the Court that such employé was so

dismissed by reason of some facts other than those mentioned in this section.

Mr. Lemmon moved, That new clause U be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. Prendergast, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

V. Every shop in the Metropolitan District in which fresh uncooked meat is sold and every factory in which small goods are made shall be closed on the whole of the third Wednesday in January in each year, and every employé in such shop or factory shall be given a whole holiday on such day, and every such shop may be kept open till nine o'clock on the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in January in each year.

And, after debate, the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

Mr. Prendergast, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:-

W. All persons employed in abattoirs or private slaughterhouses in the Metropolitan District shall be given a whole holiday on the first Tuesday in December in each year.

And, after debate, the said clause was read a second time.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, as an amendment, That the words "provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to persons employed only in connexion with the export trade" be added to the clause.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And the said clause as amended was read a third time and added to the Bill.

Mr. McGrath, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-

X. In section eight of the Principal Act the words "in horticulture" are hereby repealed.

Mr. McGrath moved, That new clause X be now read a second time.

Question—put and negatived. (Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

19. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Infant Life Protection Act 1893" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 20th November, 1907.

20. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had come to a certain

resolution. Ordered-That the Report be received to-morrow.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5, Nos. 8 to 24 inclusive, and Nos. 26 to 28 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

THURSDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. RICHARDSON VALLEY RAILWAY—MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.—Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Minutes of Evidence given in 1905 before the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the general question of Railway Communication with the Richardson Valley.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented-

Richardson Valley Railway-Minutes of Evidence.-Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 4. RUPANYUP TO NEWALL'S CORNER, MARNOO, RAILWAY.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, 'That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Rupanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Fences Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Fences Act 1890'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Supply.—Estimates for 1907-8.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

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16. Audit Office	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	6,614	
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And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

7. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

Mr. Craven also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

10. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 29.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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 Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang.'
- "An Act to alter the Hour of Closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections."
- "An Act to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes.
- "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Sherwood as Sites for Military and other public purposes.'
- "An Act to amend the 'Infant Life Protection Act 1890."
- "An Act to amend the 'Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th November, 1907.

11. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTION.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this Bill, viz. :-

In clause 50, lines 43 and 44, the word "sub-section" has been omitted and the word "section" has been inserted.

- 12. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :-
 - 1. Clause 10, line 20, after "sale" insert "medicines or medical and surgical appliances."
 - line 28, omit "pay for medical benefits" and insert "have been elected as such 2. under its rules by any society registered for the purposes named in section five, sub-sections (1) (2) and (3) of the Principal Act, and have paid the subscription to such society required under the said rules, and in addition have paid to the society the full amount payable for medicines and medical appliances for full benefit members.'
 - line 31, omit "or" and insert "includes step-children and adopted children and." 3.
 - lines 31-2, omit "includes step-children, adopted children, or step-parents," and insert "means members' wives unmarried sons and step-sons up to the age of eighteen years and unmarried daughters and step-daughters under the age of twenty-one years and widowed mothers of unmarried members and brothers and sisters of unmarried members who are under the age of sixteen years being orphans or having only a widowed mother depending on the member."
 - 5. Clause 13, omit this clause.

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment I agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Before "medicines" insert "of."

Amendments 2 and 3 agreed to.

Amendment 4 agreed to with the following amendments, viz. :- Omit "widowed," in line 4, and omit "unmarried," in line 4 and in line 5.

Amendment 5 agreed to.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill .- The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :-

Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-Consideration of Report.

Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for reconsideration.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with further amendments.

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

14: POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY. -Ordered -That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 5 be postponed until after Nos. 6 and 7.

- 15. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey 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.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 16. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon 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.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.
- 17. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 5 and Nos. 8 to 25 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swinburne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 54.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Days and Hours of Meeting and Order of Business-Suspension of Sessional Orders .-Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the days and hours of meeting and the Order of Business be suspended for this week, and that during the remainder of the present week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Wednesday and Thursday at balf-past ten o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after halfpast ten o'clock,

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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 during the period from 1st December, 1906, to 23rd November, 1907.

Statement showing the Names of all Persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.

Mines Act 1890-

Amended General Rule for proceeding before Wardens. Amended General Rule for proceeding in Courts of Mines.

4. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 30.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts.

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 26th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this

5. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 30, having been read-On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker, after debate, left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolve l-That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Message from IIIs Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Beut, and the same was read:—

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 31.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to authorize the taking of a Referendum on Scripture Lessons in State Schools.

Melbourne, 26th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

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- 7. 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 No. 13.
- 8. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock 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 committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Supply.—Estimates for 1907-8.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

VII.—COMMISSIONER	\mathbf{OF}	PUBLIC	WORKS.
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And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive, and Nos. 14 to 24 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

Division No.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 55.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. -Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :-

Railway Officers Transfer Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill-Second reading.

Medical Evidence Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

Savings Banks Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

Tobacco Sellers Bill—Second reading.

Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Bill-Second reading.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered - That the said Bills be withdrawn.

- 3. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906.—Part IX.—Production. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 4. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered, after debate That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
- 5. LIGENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the words "Every such application shall be upon notice to the licensed victualler holding such permission and on sufficient cause being shown to render such revocation or variation expedient," in clause 6, lines 19-22 inclusive, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Every such application shall be served upon the licensed victuallers holding such permission at least seven clear days before the annual sittings of the Licensing Court and shall specifically set forth the cause or causes in respect of which such revocation or variation is sought. And no such revocation or variation shall be granted or made by the Court except on proof that such additional bar or bars has or have been systematically used by the licensee to commit breaches or offences against the Licensing Acts."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put and negatived.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the word "systematically" be omitted from the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted.

Ancestion-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment-put and negatived.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in clause 6 in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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- 6. POSITONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. -Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive be postponed until after No. 7.
- 7. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:-
 - 1. Clause 7, page 4, line 15, at the end of the clause insert-
 - "(i) If any council or councils fail neglect or refuse to elect a commissioner or commissioners at the first election as provided in this section the Governor in Council may appoint as many fit and proper persons to be commissioners as are required to make up the number of commissioners; and every commissioner so appointed shall hold office as if he had been elected hereunder."
 - 2. Clause 25, line 15, at the end of the clause insert-
 - "Notwithstanding anything in this Act the society known as the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatising Society may in accordance with the terms of the permission given to the society in that behalf as approved by the Minister of Water Supply on the sixth day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and unless and until the permission is withdrawn by the Governor in Council continue to occupy for fish-breeding purposes so much of the land situate at the Lovely Banks service basin as on the appointed day is occupied by the society under the permission and the Trust shall continue to supply the said society with water for the purposes of the society free of charge as heretofore; but the Trust may with the approval of the Governor in Council enter on such land at any time to carry out any works; and neither the society nor any person (whether a member of the society or not) shall be entitled to or shall receive from or on behalf of His Majesty or the Trust any money or consideration by way of compensation in respect of or arising out of the society ceasing to occupy such land or the withdrawal of the permission or any such entry by the Trust."

 3. Clause 33, line 22, after "day" insert "as."

 4. Clause 36 line 21 omit "substantial and offection"

- 4. Clause 36, line 21, omit "substantial and effective."
 5. Clause 50, line 31, omit "three" and insert "five."
- 6. Clause 53, line 17, at the end of the clause add-

"or in freezing works or in shipping other than shipping owned by the commissioners or water supplied for profitable purposes.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate-

Amendment 1 agreed to.

Amendment 2 agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :- At the end of the amendment of the Legislative Council add-

"In case the Governor in Council at any time after the passing of this Act establishes a fish hatchery or occupies for fish breeding purposes any premises within the area of the Trust the Trust notwithstanding anything in this Act shall supply water for the purposes of such hatchery or premises free of charge."

Amendment 3 agreed to.

Amendment 4 disagreed with.

Amendment 5 agreed to.

Amendment 6 agreed to with the following amendment, viz.: -At the end of the amendment of the Legislative Council add --

"but for water supplied for farming operations or in freezing works or for profitable purposes the Trust shall not charge a rate for every thousand gallons in excess of the minimum rate charged to ordinary consumers and for water supplied for use in shipping other than shipping owned by the commissioners the Trust may charge a special rate.

Ordere |-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

- 8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, and Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive, be postponed until after Notice of Motion No. 4.
- 9. I'RAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTITUTION BILL .- Mr. Bayles moved, pursuant to amended notice, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Prendergast 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, Government Business, No. 1, and Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive be postponed until after No. 8.

- 11. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT B.LL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read— Debate resumed on the second reading of amendment 3, which is as follows :-
 - 3. Insert the following new clause to follow clause 1:-
 - B. If any officer or employé of the Commissioners become insolvent or apply or take the benefit of any Act now or hereafter to be in force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or by any deed or other writing compound with his creditors, or make an assignment of his salary for their benefit he shall be deemed to have forfeited his office unless he satisfies the Commissioners that such embarrassment has not been caused or attended by any fraud, extravagance, or dishonorable conduct.

Question-That this amendment be now read a second time-put and negatived.

Amendment 3 disagreed with.

- Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to two of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, and have disagreed with one of such amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 3, be postponed until after No. 4.
- 13. SCRIPTURE LESSONS REFERENDUM BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 31, having been read-On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received
 - Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to authorize the taking of a Referendum on Scripture Lessons in State Schools.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1, 3, 5, and 6 be postponed until after No. 10.
- 15. SCRIPTURE LESSONS REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Gurr 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 this day.

- 16. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- Mr. McLeod, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Bent, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the Mines Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 17. VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further continue the Voting by Post Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 18. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL .- Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nyora to Woolamai"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 19. MALLEE LEASES EXTENSION BILL .- Mr. Mackey obtained leave, with Mr. Bent, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further extend the Term of certain Mallee Allotment Leases"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 20. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McLeod, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Bent, obtained leave, with Mr. Bent, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Law relating to Gold Buyers"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 21. GOBUR LAND BILL.-Mr. Boyd, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Mackey, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Revocation of the Permanent Reservation of portion of certain Land reserved as a site for Race-course and other purposes of Public Recreation at Gobur"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 22. ELTHAM TO HURST'S BRIDGE (DIAMOND CREEK) RAILWAY .- Mr. Bent, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Eltham to Hurst's Bridge (Diamond Creek) be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

23. Permanent Surveys of Railway Lines.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to amended notice, That this House hereby resolves that the lines already recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, as well as all lines which may be recommended during the recess by the said Committee, which the Governor in Council declares should be surveyed, be permanently surveyed. Debate ensued.

Mr. Murray 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. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:

Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Ordered--That the said Bill be withdrawn.

- 25. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs Bill.—Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. E. H. Cameron, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 26. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Indeterminate Sentences and for the Detention and Con'rol of Habitual and other Criminals" without amendment.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 27th November, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

27. PAPER.—Mr. Speaker presented—

Finance, 1906-7.—Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1907; accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General and by the Documents specified in the Fifty-first Section of the Audit Act.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

28. Scripture Lessons Referendum 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 House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Noes, 21.

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Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. J. W. Billsen, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Lawson.	Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Glass, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keast, Mr. Keogh, Mr. MeGrath,	Mr. Murray, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Holden.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

29. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendments of the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts."

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

President.

Melbourne, 27th November, 1907.

30. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906,'" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in such Bill with a consequential amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 27th November, 1907.

Ordered-That the Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

- 31. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1, 3, 5, 6, 13 to 17 inclusive, 19, 20, 22, 23, and 25, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 32. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at eight minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Clork of the Legislative Assembly. Speaker

PROCEEDINGS AND VOTES

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 56.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Beut, and the same was read :-

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 32.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and other purposes.

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

3. Railway Loan Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 32, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Reso'ved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for Railways and other

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

4. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 33.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July, One thousand nine hundred and eight.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day. (500 copies.)

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- 5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Com-m-read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received
 - Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July, One thousand nine hundred and eight.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain Moneys not later than the last day of July One thousand nine hundred and eight"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

6. LATROBE RIVER RAILWAY EXTENSION .- Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of developing the country north of the Latrobe River by means of a railway to the junction of the Latrobe and Torongo Rivers to promote settlement and also tap the timber resources of the district, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of the said railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

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Ayes	, 39.	No	es, 9.
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Bent,	
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Glass,	Tr.,11
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mason,	Mr. Lemmon,	Tellers.
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Elmslie,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. McGrath.
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,	,	
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Oman,		
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Outtrim,		
Mr. Cullen,	Sir Alexander Peacock,		
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Prendergast,		
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Robertson,		
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Sangster,		
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Smith,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Stanley,		
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher.		
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Mr. Keast,	Tellers.		
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Argyle,		
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Holden.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 8. PERMANENT SURVEYS OF RAILWAY LINES .- The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this House hereby resolves that the lines already recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, as well as all lines which may be recommended during the recess by the said Committee, which the Governor in Council declares should be surveyed, be permanently surveyed—having been read— Debate resumed.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. South Gippsland Railway Extension .- Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Carrajung, Bulga, Jumbuk, and Dollar by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of a railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL .- Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Mon'y available under Loan Acts for Railways"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday nexts

- 11. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 12. Supply.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Bent moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair. Question—put and negatived.

Resolved-That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 18 inclusive be postponed until after No. 19.
- 14. VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE BILL—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinuon, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 4 to 18 inclusive, and No. 20 be postponed until after No. 21.
- 16. Mallee Leases Extension Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative. - Bill read a third time.

()rdered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 17. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 4.
- 18. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Swinburne 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

19. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Licensing Acts and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

- And the said amendments were read and are as follow:—
 1. Clause 11, line 30, after "club" insert "not exempted under section twenty-six of Act
 No. 2068."
 - 2. In the Schedule, third column, insert-
 - "In sub-section (1) of section thirty-two the following words are hereby added 'but he may during the currency of such licence surrender the same to the Licensing Court for cancellation and shall not thereafter be subject to any of the disabilities contained in this section."

3. In the Schedule, third column, at end of the last paragraph but one, add-

"and the words 'and notwithstanding any such agreement where such sum is so deducted from any rent payable to an owner of the premises and such owner is himself a tenant of another person who is an owner within the meaning of the Licensing Acts such tenant may in like manner deduct from any rent payable by him a sum equal to the amount so deducted 'are hereby inserted."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Tellers.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Mason, Mr. Boyd, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod,

Mr. Bromley, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. E. H. Cameron,

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Graham, Mr. Thomson.

Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr,

Mr. Bent,

Mr. Harris,

Mr. Argyle, Mr. Duffus. Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 1 agreed to.

And, after debate-

Amendment 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3 agreed to with the following amendment, viz .: - Omit "inserted," at the end of the amendment, and insert "added at the end of such section."

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

20. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21. Murray Settlement - Irrigation Charges. - Mr. Swinburne moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the advisability of giving power to the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission to make by-laws apportioning and fixing the irrigation charges to be made and levied under the Murray Settlement Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:

Resolved-That it is expedient that the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission have power by by-law to apportion and fix annual irrigation charges, and make and levy the same on the occupiers or owners of all homestead allotments or parts thereof supplied with water under the Murray Settlement Bill, and to reduce the same during the first four years.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

22. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read -Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Swinburne, read a

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

Noes, 16.

Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Craven, Mr. Glass, Mr. Keast, Mr. Watt. Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Membrey, Tellers.

Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. McGrath. 23. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause B with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

24. Days and Hours of Meeting and Order of Business - Suspension of Sessional Orders.—
Mr. Bent moved, by leave, that the Sessional Orders appointing the days and hours of meeting and the order of business be suspended for next week, and that during next week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and that the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday be two o'clock, and on Friday eleven o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past ten o'clock on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and after half-past four o'clock on Friday.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 25. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bowser reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 26. Messages from the Legislative Council.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:-

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Licensing Acts and for other purposes."

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

President.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geeling and District and for other purposes," and have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendments of the Legislative Council in such Bill.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 28th November, 1907. H. J. WRIXON. President.

27. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 5 to 18 inclusive, No. 20, and Nos. 22 to 24 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clark of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN.

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 57.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 34.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this

3. WIMMERA DISTRICTS AND SOUTHERN MALLEE AREA-CONTROL OF WATER SUPPLY .- Mr. Warde, on behalf of Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of the Storage and Distribution of Water in the Wimmera and Southern Mallee Districts; together with the Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Petition.—Mr. Mackinnon presented a Petition from H. Higginson, styling himself President, and D. Coventry, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the members of the Prahran United Friendly Societies Dispensary, under the seal of the said dispensary, praying that the House will grant relief in respect to an action at law instituted by the Pharmacy Board against the dispensary for supplying medicines to "purchasing members," such members having been admitted to the dispensary under a Rule which had been duly registered by the Government Registrar of Friendly Societies on three different occasions.

On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to

be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Land Act 1901.—Amendment of Regulations.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands. - Miscellancous Licences. - Order in Council.

6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES AND BOROUGHS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 34, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

7. Cousens' Corner and Newbridge Railway. - Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Cousens' Corner and Newbridge by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

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- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
- 9. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 3 of this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:

Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly. How dealt with by the Legislative Council. (Agreed to with the following consequential amend-Clause 3, line 18, omit "of section ten." ment, viz. :- At end of clause add "except interest."

Consequential amendment of the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 3 agreed to

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the consequential amendment of the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 3.

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive, and Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 11.
- 11. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read-Mr. Mackey moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this this Bill:-
 - Clause 2, line 10, after the word "who" insert the words "(in a case where the deceased has left a will).
 - line 12, after the word "administrator" insert the words " in respect of any part or parts of the estate."
 - line 13, after the word "liabilities" insert the words "in respect of such part or parts of the estate."
 - Clause 3, line 11, after the word "residue," where last occurring, insert the words "(after providing for the payment of funeral and testamentary expenses)." line 14, after the word "duty" insert the words "or the balance of the duty (as the
 - case may be)."

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line 20, before the word "Provided" insert the figure "(3)." line 22, omit the word "sub-section" and insert the word "section."

at end of clause, add the following new sub-section :-

"(4) In this section the word 'residue' includes any unbequeathed personalty and any undevised realty."

- Clause 5, line 7, after the word "or" insert the words "where an administrator."

 " line 10, paragraph (b), after the word "administrator;" insert the word "or."
 - line 12, paragraph (c), after the word "therein" omit the word "or."

paragraph (d), omit this paragraph. ,,

- lines 16-17, omit the words "as is mentioned in paragraphs (a) (b) or (c) hereof." ,,
 - line 17, after the word "person" insert the words "or trustee company. line 18, after the word "discharged" insert the word "or."
- lines 18-19, omit the words "or dead."
- Mr. McGregor, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Toutcher, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :-
 - B. (1) Any persons or person named expressly or especially or by implication as executors or executor who would be entitled to obtain probate of the will of any testator jointly with any other person or persons or company or companies may, any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding, instead of themselves or himself applying for probate, authorize any trustee company to apply to the Supreme Court for probate of such will either alone with leave reserved for any person or persons or company or companies to come in and prove the same or jointly with any other person or persons entitled to apply for probate in the same manner as if the said trustee company so authorized as aforesaid had been originally named in the said will in the place of the person or persons authorizing such application. Provided that if there are more than two persons named as executors the authority to any trustee company to apply as aforesaid must be given by a majority of such persons.
 - (2) Such appplication may if the court thinks fit be granted unless the testator shall by his will have expressed his desire that the office of executor is not to be delegated or that the trustee company so applying is not to act in the trusts of his will.

And the said clause was read a second time.

Mr. Mackey moved, That the following amendment be made in the clause:-

At the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :-

"(3) In this Act 'trustee company 'shall mean any company authorized by or under any Act of Parliament to act as executor administrator or trustee.

And, after debate-

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. Watt, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in the clause: -

Sub-section (1), line 1, omit the words "persons or person" and insert the words "person or persons.'

lines I and 2, omit the words "executors or executor" and insert the words "executor or executors."

line 4, omit the words "themselves or himself" and insert the words "himself or themselves."

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendment in the clause :-

Sub-section (1), lines 9-11, omit the words "Provided that if there are more than two persons named as executors the authority to any trustee company to apply as aforesaid must be given by a majority of such persons.'

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House agreed to the following further amendment in the clause:-

At the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :-

"(3) In this Act 'trustee company' shall mean any company authorized by or under any Act of Parliament to act as executor administrator or trustee.

And the said clause as amended was added to the Bill.

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Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

- 12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be pestponed until after No. 5.
- 13. RAILWAY LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill and insisted on by the Council having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :-

. Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

3. Insert the following new clause to follow clause 1:-

B. If any officer or employé of the Commissioners become insolvent or apply or take the benefit of any Act now or hereafter to be in force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or by any deed or other writing compound with his creditors, or make an assignment of his salary for their benefit he shall be deemed to have forfeited his office unless he satisfies the Commissioners that such embarrassment has not been caused or attended by any fraud extravagance or dishonorable conduct.

Disagreed with.

Mr. Bent moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to insert new clause B.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided.

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Ayes,	oo.
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. McKenzic,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Duffus,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Stanley,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. Hunt,	
Mr. Keogh,	Tellers.
Mr. Kirton,	i ettere.
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Argyle,

Noes, 16.

Mr. Sangster, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley. Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Warde, Mr. Glass, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. McGrath, Tellers. Mr. McGregor, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Lemmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Keast.

Disagreement not insisted on.

Mr. Livingston,

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to insert new clause B.

- 14. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—'That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, Nos. 6 to 10 inclusive, and Nos. 12 to 25 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postpoued until to-morrow.
- 16. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 58.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair,
- 2. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 3. Paper.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Aborigines.—Forty-third Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 4. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read:—

R. TALBOT.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 35.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Mines Acts.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 4th December, 1907.

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
- 5. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 35, having been read—On the motion of Mr. McLeod, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Mines Acts.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- 6. Port Campbell Railway.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Port Campbell by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 7. Moonee Vale and West Brunswick Railway.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Moonee Vale Village Homes Settlements and West Brunswick with the existing railway system by means of an electric or steam railway, subject to municipal guarantee, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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- 8. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
- 9. Supply.—Estimates for 1907-8.—Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

And, after debate, the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

10. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:-

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1907-8 the sum of £2,863,510 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

11. Appropriation Bill.—Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituded "A Bill 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 eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in-Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction" without amendment.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 4th December, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituded "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes."

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 4th December, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the re-vesting in the Crown of certain Land granted to Trustees as and for a Road and Approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a Site for a Toll House and Out Offices in connexion with such Bridge the Cancellation of the Crown Grant and for other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 4th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to further continue the Voting by Post Acts," without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 4th December, 1907 MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to further extend the Term of certain Mallee Allotment Leases" without amendment.

> H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council.

Melbourne, 4th December, 1907.

Mr. Speaker,

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

H. J. WRIXON,

President

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 4th December, 1907.

13. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

14. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Mr. Bent moved, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :-

Fences Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.
Murray River Waters Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Dentists Bill-Second reading. .

Local Government Act 1903 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Gobur Land Bill—Second reading.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

15. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. - Mr. Bent moved, That the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1. Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

17. Appropriation Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read - Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Ordered -- That the Bill be real a third time to-morrow.

- 18. Postponement of Orders of the Day .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive, No. 16, and Nos. 18 to 21 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 19. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 59.

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. COAL MINING INDUSTRY.—Mr. Outtrim, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee upon the Coal Mining Industry; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

 Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- 3. Days and Hours of Meeting—Suspension of Sessional Orders.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the days and hours of meeting and the order of business be suspended for next week, and that during next week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and that the hour of meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday be half-past one o'clock, and on Thursday and Friday half-past ten o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that fresh Government Business may be called on at any time.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:—
 - R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 36.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township."
- "An Act relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices."
- "An Act to provide for Indeterminate Sentences and for the Detention and Control of Habitual and other Criminals."
- " An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd December, 1907.

- 5. Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill.—Mr. Bent, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. E. H. Cameron, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to empower Municipal Councils to provide and maintain Sheep Dips and to contribute towards Public Agricultural and other Schools and Colleges"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Crdered—That the consideration of Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 4.

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7. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 30, having been read-On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:--

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Bent and Mr. Swinburne do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing

Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. Appropriation Bill.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 5.
- 10. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Bent 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 11. Postponement of Order of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 12. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL. The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1, and Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 4.
- 14. !'RAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTITUTION BILL .- The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust-having been read-Debate resumed.

Question - put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Bayles obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Irahran and Malvern Tramways Trust"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 15. RAILWAY LOAN BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired

16. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive.

17. Consolidated Revenue Application Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

18. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

19. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Swinburne 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.

20. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:--

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill initialed "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 eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 5th December, 1907.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

22. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 9 to 18 inclusive, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 22 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 60.

FRIDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Public Accounts Committee.—Mr. Beazley, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts; with Appendix.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

- 3. Moe and Walhalla Railway Loading Bill.—Mr. Bent obtained leave, with Mr. Swinburne, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Loading of Land in the Moe and Walhalla Railway Construction District"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 4. Closer Settlement Act 1904 further Amendment Bill.—Mr. Mackey, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Swinburne, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the 'Closer Settlement Act 1904'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Durham Ox Railway.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Durham Ox by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the land enhance in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
- 7. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION 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-

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Mr. Swinburne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 8. Conveyancing Act 1904 Amendment Bill. Mr. Mackinnon, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Conveyancing Act 1904'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tnesday next.
- 10. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. Appropriation Bill—Presentation to His Excellency the Governor.—Mr. Speaker said— "As it was necessary that the Appropriation Bill should become law in time to admit of the mid-monthly payments being made, I have to inform the House that, at half-past eleven o'clock this morning, I waited upon His Excellency the Governor, at the Government Offices, Melbourne, and in the name of the Legislative Assembly presented to His Excellency the Appropriation Bill intituled 'An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the scruice of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.' His Excellency was pleased to give the Royal Assent to this Bill." this Bill."
- 3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Closer Settlement Acts.—Regulations for the Disposal of Lands acquired under the Closer Settlement Act 1901 and the Closer Settlement Act 1906.

- 4. Postponement of Order of the Day .-- Ordered -- That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
- 5. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time

Debate ensued.

Mr. Watt 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.

6. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Mackinnon, and the same was read :-

R. TALBOT,

Message No. 37. Governor of Victoria.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways":—

In sub-clause (1) of clause 17 omit the word "twelve," substitute "thirteen."

In sub-clause (2) of same clause omit the words "said provisions," substitute "provisions of this Act."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

- On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.
- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after No. 17.

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- 9. Conveyancing Act 1904 Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon 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 Committee of the whole House.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING BILL.—Mr. Boyd moved, by leave, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, including those relating to the payment of fees, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to vest in "The Old Colonists Association" Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the "Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association" is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Mr. Boyd, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackey, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to vest in The Old Colonists Association" Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 11. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

 Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association Land Vesting Bill—Second reading.

 Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive and Nos. 10 to 12 inclusive be postponed until after No. 13.
- 13. Health Acts further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackey 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.

- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 14. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
- 15. Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Swinburne 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

16. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

17. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—SLUDGE ABATEMENT CHARGES.—Mr. McLeod moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the advisability of giving power to the sludge abatement trusts by by-laws to make and levy sludge abatement charges under the Mines Acts further Amendment Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:—

Resolved—That it is expedient that sludge abstement trusts have never be

Resolved—That it is expedient that sludge abatement trusts have power by by-laws to make and levy upon the several bodies and persons entitled to be represented on such trusts a charge to be called a sludge abatement charge, and that such charge may vary in amount whether as regards the several classes of such bodies or persons or the individual members of any class or any individual persons.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

18. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain Moneys not later than the last day of July One thousand nine hundred and eight" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

19. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

20. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:-

Clause 6, line 25, after the word "payable" insert the words "on and after the first day of June One thousand nine hundred and eight."

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 50, sub-section (2), omit this sub-section and insert the following new sub-section:—
(2) All such regulations when made by the Governor in Council shall be published in the Government Gazette and when so published shall have the force of law and shall be judicially noticed and shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after the same shall have been made if Parliament be then sitting and if not then within ten days after the next meeting of Parliament, and a copy of any proposed regulations shall be posted to each Member of

Parliament at least twenty-one days before such regulations are approved by the Governor in Council.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 21. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 5.
- 22. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House baving been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House 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, Government Business, No. 3, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, Nos. 10 to 12 inclusive, and Nos. 14 to 16 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 24. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 62.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.-Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz .: -

In clause 50, sub-section (1), paragraph (d), line 29, the word "of" has been omitted and the word "or" inserted.

""", sub-section (1), paragraph (d), line 30, the word "or" has been omitted and the word "of" inserted.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1907.

Public Service Act 1890-

Regulations.—Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Law. Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Works.

Regulations.—General Division.—Assistant Lithographic Printer.

4. WIMMERA DISTRICTS AND SOUTHERN MALLEE AREA—CONTROL OF WATER SUPPLY.—Mr. Swinburne moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:—

Birchip Waterworks Trust.

Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust. Wimmera United Waterworks Trust.

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1905—Special Boards to fix Lowest Rates of Wages.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice, 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 maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative..

 Ordered—That a Messsage be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
- Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, 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) Glass blowers.(b) Glass moulders.

(c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.

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6. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS 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-Debate resumed.

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bromley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after No. 5.
- 8. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs Bill.-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. E. H. Cameron 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bromley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Mr. E. H. Cameron moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Murray, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:-

First Schedule—In First-class Shires, after the word "Warrnambool" omit the word "South" and insert the word "North."

In Second-class Shires, after the word "Warrnambool" omit the word "North" and insert the word "South."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

9. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Bent 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.

Ordered - That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.

10. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY—CONSTRUCTION AND LOADING RATES.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Construction and Loading Rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Nyora to Woolamai Railway Construction Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that the Railway Construction Trust have power to make and levy Construction and Loading Rates under the Nyora to Woolamai Railway Construction Bill.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

11. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time. Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 6.
- 13. Rupanyup to Marnoo Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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.

Ordered-That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.

14. Rupanyup to Marnoo Railway—Construction and Loading Rates.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Construction and Loading Rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Rupanyup to Marnoo Railway Construction Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:--

Resolved-That it is expedient that the Railway Construction Trust have power to make and levy Construction and Loading Rates under the Rupanyup to Marnoo Railway Construction Bill.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

15. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through

the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

16. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways."

> H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :--

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

President.

And His Excellency's Message was read and is as follows :-

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Council for their consideration the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes":-

In clause 5, sub-clause (4), omit "removed or dead" and substitute "or removed."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

On the motion of Mr. Mackey, the House agreed to the said amendment, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment recommended therein.

- 18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, and 7 be postponed until after No. 8.
- 19. OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Boyd 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Boyd, read a third time.
- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 20. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, 7, and Nos. 9 to 15 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1.
- 21. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTITUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bayles 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, 7, and Nos. 9 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after No. 12.
- 23. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Prendergast 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. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read :-

R. TALBOT.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 38.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue, and also of rents, fees, royalties, rates, dues, and charges, for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Acquisition of Land for Closer Settlement in the Tolmie and Toombullup District, and to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing such Land and the Crown Lands in the said District.

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
- 25. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL .- The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 38, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved-That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue, and also of rents, fees, royalties, rates, dues, and charges, for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Acquisition of Land for Closer Settlement in the Tolmie and Toombullup District, and to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing such Land and the Crown Lands in the said District.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

26. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION-LOADING AND RATING CHARGES.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the loading of Crown and forest lands and the charging of railway rates on private lands under the Tolmie and Toombullup Land Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :-

Resolved-That it is expedient that the Governor in Council and the Board of Land and Works have power under the Tolmie and Toombullup Land Settlement and Railway Construction Bill to load all Crown and forest lands and to charge railway rates on all private lands in the Tolmie Railway Construction District.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

- 27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, and 7, be postponed until after No. 9.
- 28. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 29. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, 7, 10, 11, and Nos. 13 to 15 inclusive, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive, and No. 22 be postponed until to-morrow.
- 30. Drainage of Land Bill. The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. J. Cameron 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 Committee

of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. J. Cameron, read a

third time.

- Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 31. TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—Mr. Mackey, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Bent, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of portion of certain Land reserved as a Site for Public Purposes at Terang"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, at forty-six minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 63.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. -Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after No. 9.
- 3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Mackey 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 Committee

of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a

- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
- 5. Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill,

and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-

Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES AND BOROUGHS BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTION .- Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this Bill, viz .:-

In the Second Schedule, the word "Barrabool" has been omitted and the word "Barrarbool" inserted.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive, Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive, and No. 10 be postponed until after No. 11.

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8. TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read — Mr. Mackey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committee to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackey, read a third time.

Ordered -- That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, and Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until after Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 2.
- 10. Drainage of Land Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Mr. J. Cameron obtained leave, with Mr. Duffus, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Drainage of Land Act 1890"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Mr. J. Cameron moved, by leave, 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. J. Cameron, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 12. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bennett 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to scour cleanse and keep open certain Drains constructed by Owners of Lands."

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

President.

MR. SPEAKER

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

President.

14. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

Ordered - That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow:

15. DAYS AND HOURS OF MEETING—Suspension of Sessional Orders.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the Sessional Orders appointing the days and hours of meeting and the order of business be suspended for next week, and that during next week this House shall meet for the despatch of business on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and that the hour of meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday be half-past one o'clock, and on Thursday and Friday half-past ten o'clock; and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and that fresh Government Business may be called on at any time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

Conveyancing Act 1904 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

- 17. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2, and Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-five minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 64.

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. TILES FOR KORUMBURRA RAILWAY STATION.—Mr. Anstey moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the memorandum of the Chairman of the Victorian Railways Commissioners with reference to the use of imported tiles for the new station buildings at Korumburra. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. Papers.—Mr. Bent presented—

Tiles for Korumburra Railway Station.—Return to the foregoing Order.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Land Act 1901.—Additions to Regulations.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Chapter IX.—Miscellaneous Licences.—Order in Council.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
- 5. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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.

6. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Mr. Bent moved, That the following Order of the Day, be read and discharged :-

Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

- 7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 8. RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Boyd 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 Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Boyd, read a third

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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9. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:-

Clause 11, page 6, line 1, omit third," insert "fifth." Clause 14, line 11, omit "third," insert "fifth."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

- 10. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—
 - 1. Clause 1, at the end of clause add "and shall come into force on the first day of March One thousand nine hundred and eight."
 - 2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."
 - 3. Clause 7, omit the following paragraph "(a) for the words 'employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room' there shall be substituted the words 'wheresoever employed;' and."
 - 4. ,, lines 41-2, omit "either generally or in any specified process trade or business."
 - 5. , page 3, line 2, after "quarrying" insert "not including agriculture."
 - 6. , page 3, lines 3-4, omit "in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener; or."
 - 7. , page 3, add the following new sub-clause:-
 - (2) No Special Board shall be appointed to determine the lowest prices or rates to be paid to any person or person or classes of persons employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room or shop in any process trade or business or occupation mentioned in sub-section (1) of this section unless a resolution has been passed by both Houses of Parliament declaring that it is expedient to appoint such Special Board.
 - 8. ,, page 3, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."
 - 9. Clause 8, omit this clause.
 - 10. Clause 9, at end of clause, add "if a resolution shall have been passed by both Houses of Parliament declaring it is expedient for the Special Board so to do."
 - 11. Insert the following new clause :- To follow clause 9-
 - M. In sub-section (2) of section seventy-six of the Principal Act after the word "concerned" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed," and after the word "trade" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed."
 - 12. Clause 14, line 5, omit "the rotation in."
 - 13. ,, line 5, omit "each."
 - 14. Clause 17, omit this clause.
 - 15. Clause 18, omit this clause.
 - 16. Clause 20, omit this clause.
 - 17. Clause 23, omit this clause.
 - 18. Clause 26, omit this clause.
 - 19. Insert the following new clause :- To follow clause 28-
 - A. In section twenty-two of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2) at the end of the section there shall be inserted the following words:—"Provided however that when any public holiday is to be kept on any Thursday shops within the Metropolitan District may observe the weekly half-holiday on that day instead of on the Wednesday.
 - 20. Clause 37, omit this clause.
 - 21. Clause 39, line 17, omit "to be."
 - 22. " line 18, omit " or to be employed."
 - 23. Clause 40, line 29, omit "or whenever demanded by the Chief Inspector."
 - 24. Clause 41, lines 19-20, omit "or spoken of."
 - 25. " line 23, after "represented" insert "by his barrister and solicitor."

- 26. Clause 41, line 25, after "name" insert "by summons."
- 27. Clause 42, line 26, after "person" insert "within the Metropolitan District."
- lines 32-7 omit "Provided that in cities towns and boroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough.
- 29. Clause 44, lines 6-7, omit "if so allowed by the Minister."
- 30. Clause 45, line 10, omit "other."
- 31. line 15, after "grandchild" insert "brother."
- line 15, after "sister" insert "nephew." 32.
- **3**3. lines 17-19, omit the following:--
 - "(3) No person of Asiatic African or Polynesian race unless born in Australia shall be registered as the keeper of or as an assistant in a small shop."
- 34. Clause 47. at end of clause add-

"Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:

On Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday from the hour of eight o'clock. On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is chosen by the shopkeeper.

On Saturday

- (a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clock.
- (b) from the hour of ten o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was one o'clock."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate-

Amendment 1 agreed to.

Amendments 2 to 4 inclusive disagreed with. Amendments 5 to 7 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 8 disagreed with.

Amendments 9 and 10 agreed to.

Amendment 11 disagreed with.

Amendments 12 and 13 agreed to.

Amendments 14 to 17 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendments 18 to 22 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 23 disagreed with.

Amendments 24 to 26 inclusive agreed to.

Amendments 27 and 28 disagreed with.

Amendments 29 to 33 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 34 disagreed with.

- Ordered —That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
- 11. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1.
- 12. Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bayles, read a third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 13. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTITUTION BILL .- Mr. Bayles moved, by leave, That one-half of all fees incurred by the promoters of the Bill to provide for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust on its passage through this House be remitted. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 14. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 5.

15. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Bent, read a third

On the motion of Mr. Bent, the House agreed to the following new title and amendments in this Bill:

New Title.—A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing Settlement in the Tolmie District and for other purposes.

Clause 2, page 2, line 3, omit the words "the Tolmie railway" and insert the words "any line

or lines of railway to be constructed under this Act."

Clause 3, line 18, after the words "Dueran East" add the words-

"Whitfield, Whitfield South,

Toombullup North."

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

16. OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING BILL.—ERROR REPORTED BY CLERK OF THE PARLIA-MENTS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error had been discovered in this Bill :-

In clause 2, lines 14-15, the word "from" has been twice inserted.

On the motion of Mr. Boyd, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the omission of the word "from" in line 14 of clause 2.

Ordered-That the communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council, with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

- 17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered -- That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 6, and 7 be postponed until after No. 8.
- 18. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY LOADING BILL .- The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Bent 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 Committee of the whole House.

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee on Tuesday next.

19. Moe and Walhalla Railway-Construction and Loading Rates.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Construction and Loading Rates to be made by the Railway Construction Trust under the Moe and Walhalla Railway Loading Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That this House 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, Government Business, Nos. 2, 6, and 7, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 17.
- 21. LONGWARRY LANDS RECLASSIFICATION 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-That this Bill be now read a second time-put and negatived.

22. Gold Buyers Law 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— Debate resumed.

Mr. Glass 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.

23. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:-

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Mines Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907. President.

- And the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

 1. Clause 12, line 28, after "thereof" insert "or of mineralized or impure water."

 2. Clause 36, line 43, after "persons" insert "included in the respective classes."

 3. Clause 42, line 26, after "persons" insert "included in the respective classes."

 4. Clause 44, line 9, after "persons" insert "included in the respective classes."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

24. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nyora to Woolamai" without amendment.

> H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Health Acts."

H J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

25. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-CLERK'S CORRECTION.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following correction in this Bill, viz.:-

In clause 6, sub-section (1), line 7, the word "value" has been omitted.

26. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered - That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 and 7, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive, and Nos. 18 to 21 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at thirty-five minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

ASSEMBLY. LEGISLATIVE

No. 65.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair. 2. PAPER.—Mr. Bent presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Weeks Claim Inquiry Board .- Report and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL-FEES .- Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be charged under the Gold Buyers Law Amendment Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Cha'r, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received

Mr. Craven reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-That the following fees be chargeable under the Gold Buyers Law Amendment Bill :-

- On the granting or renewal of a gold buyer's or gold assayer's licence
- On the issue of a licence after the thirty-first day of March in any year ...
- On the granting of a gold buyer's or gold assayer's licence to the principal office or branch of any banking company
- On the granting of a general gold buyer's or general assayer's licence, accompanied by a list showing each branch, to any banking company
- On the issue of an additional licence for any branch or branches during the currency of a general licence ...

On the issue of a special assayer's licence

Five pounds.

A sum for the time the licence shall be in force proportionate to the fee for a twelve months' licence.

Five pounds.

Five pounds for each office or branch.

A sum pro rata for the unexpired period of the licence calculated as from the beginning of the quarter in which application is made.

Two pounds.

For transfer to other premises than those specified in any One pound. And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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4. GOLD BUYERS LAW 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—Debate resumed.

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz:—

That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act 1905, the Waterworks Districts of the following Waterworks Trusts shall, on and after the first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:—

Birchip Waterworks Trust,

Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust, Wimmera United Waterworks Trust,

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative 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—

(a) Glass blowers,

(b) Glass moulders,

(c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative 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 a maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers.

H. J. WRIXON,

President.

Legislative Council.

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

Mr. Speaker.

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

Mr. Speaker

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Closer Settlement Act 1904" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in correcting the clerical error reported by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes."

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

President.

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Art for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust" without amendment.

II. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of portion of certain Land reserved as a Site for Public Purposes at Terang" without amendment.

II. J. WRIXON,
Legislative Council,
President.

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to establish two Permanent Railway Reserve Funds" without amendment.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Drainage of Land Act 1890'" without amendment.

II. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

6. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, but have amended one of such amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,
President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

Ordered.—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

7. Moe and Walhalla Railway—Construction and Loading Rates.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Construction and Loading Rates to be made by the Railways Construction Trust under the Moe and Walhalla Railway Loading Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

8. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing Settlement in the Tolmie District and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON, President.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th December, 1907. And the said amendments were read and are as follow:-

- 1. Clause 6, after line 10 add "(3) Such certificate and the maps plans sections and elevations (if any) with regard to the line together with estimates of cost certified by the Chief Engineer shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament and until approved by a joint resolution of both Houses no action shall be taken in accordance with the subsequent sections of this Act."
- 2. Clause 7, line 11, after "(1)" insert "If such joint resolution is passed."
- 3. Clause 26, line 34, omit "the occupier's residence and."
- 4. .. lines 34-5, omit "appertaining to such residence and all buildings thereon."
- 5. Clause 42, lines 22-3, omit "in the form or to the effect in the Second Schedule to this Act."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

9. Gold Buyers Law Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, and insisted on by the Council, having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

3. Clause 7, omit the following paragraph "(a) for the words 'employed either inside or outside a factory or workroom' there shall be substituted the words 'wheresoever employed;' and."

lines 41-2, omit "either generally or in any specified process trade or business."

8. , page 3, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

11. Insert the following new clause:—To follow clause 9—

M. In sub-section (2) of section seventy-six of the Principal Act after the word "concerned" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed," and after the word "trade" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed."

- 14. Clause 17, omit this clause.
- 15. Clause 18, omit this clause.
- 16. Clause 20, omit this clause.
- 17. Clause 23, omit this clause.
- 23. Clause 40, line 29, omit "or whenever demanded by the Chief Inspector."
- 27. Clause 42, line 26, after "person' insert "within the Metropolitan District."

How dealt with.

Insisted on by the Council.

Insisted on by the Council with the following amendment, viz., after "Metropolitan District" add "and to Ballarat Bendigo and Geelong."

Disagreed with by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

28. Clause 42, lines 32-7, omit "Provided that in cities towns and boroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough."

34. Clause 47, at end of clause add-

Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:—

On Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday from the hour of eight o'clock.

On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is chosen by the shopkeeper.

On Saturday-

(a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clock.

(b) from the hour of ten o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was one o'clock. How dealt with.

Disagreed with by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council.

And, after debate-

Amendment 2-Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 3—Disagreement with amendment to omit paragraph (a) of clause 7 insisted on, but the following amendment made in the said paragraph, viz.:—After "shall" insert "so far only as regards any process trade business or occupation mentioned in paragraph (b) of section seven of the Factories and Shops Act 1907 except sellers of small goods."

Amendment 4-Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 8-Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 11—Disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 14-Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 15—Disagreement with amendment to omit clause 18 insisted on, but the said clause amended to read as follows:—

"18. The Court of Industrial Appeals may revise or alter its own determination at any time and from time to time on the application of either the representatives of employers or representatives of employes on the Special Board."

Amendments 16 and 17—Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 23-Disagreement not insisted on.

Amendments 27 and 28-Disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 34-Disagreement insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in such Bill, do not insist on disagreeing with others of the said amendments, insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit paragraph (a) of clause 7 but have amended the said paragraph, and insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 18 but have made amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

11. Message from the Legislative Council.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to provide and maintain Sheep Dips and to contribute towards Public Agricultural and other Schools and Colleges" without amendment.

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 17th December, 1907. H. J. WRIXON, President.

12. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven 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 this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 13. Adjournment. Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at eleven o'clock. Debate ensued. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 66.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Craven reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported-
 - Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :-Clause 23, paragraph (11.), line 13, after the word "first" insert the words "or second."

, paragraph (111.), line 26, after the word "first" insert the words "or second."

Clause 25, line 24, after the word "who" insert the word "wilfully."

Clause 27, at the end of the clause, add the following new sub-section :-

- "(4) Any licensee or employé of a licensee who divulges any matter contained in any such declaration except for the purposes of the administration of justice or for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of an offence against this Act."
- Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 3. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at two o'clock.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Message from the Legislative Council. -Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council: ---

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, do insist on others of the said amendments, do not insist on two of their amendments, but have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on such amendments, and still insist on their amendment in clause 2 with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly. H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council, Melbourne, 18th December, 1907. (500 copies.) President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:-Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

2. Clause 2, at end of clause add
"This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

Disagreed with by the Assembly. - Insisted on by the Council .-Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Still insisted on by the Council but with the following amendment, viz. :- Omit "applies only to the Metropolitan District" and insert "and sections 7, 20, 23, and 42 of this Act shall apply to all cities and towns and to any borough or to any part or parts of a shire within ten miles of any such city town or borough."

14: Clause 17, omit this clause.

Disagreed with by the Assembly.— Insisted on by the Council.— Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

the Still insisted on by Council,

28. Clause 42, lines 32-7, omit "Provided that in cities towns and boroughs outside the Metropolitan Districtsuch carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'cleck in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough."

Disagreed with by the Assembly. — Insisted Still insisted on by the Conneil .-Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Council.

And, after debate-

Amendment 2-Disagreement not now insisted on but amendment of the Legislative Council as amended agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:-Before the words "to any," in lines 8 and 9, insert the words "may from time to time be extended by the Governor in Council."

Amendment 14-Disagreement not now insisted on.

Amendment 28 - Disagreement not now insisted on.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments in such Bill still insisted on by the Legislative Council, and do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 2, but have agreed to the said amendment as amended by the Legi-lative Council with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 6. Adjournment.—Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

THOS. G. WATSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 67.

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL-CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.-Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this

In clause S, page 4, sub-section (2), line 4, after the word "section" the word "twenty-two" has been omitted and the word "twenty-three" inserted.

In clause 21, sub-section (1), line 5, after the word "section" the word "seventcen" has been omitted and the word "eighteen" inserted.

In clause 42, line 40, the word "of" has been omitted and the word "or" inserted.

3. 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 .- Stores and Transport.

Regulations - Classification of Professional Division .- Department of Law.

Regulations. - Classification of General Division - Department of Public Works.

4. Message from the Legislative Council.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 2 of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts."

II. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1907.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. -- Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :-

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Gold Buyers," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

H. J. WRIXON,

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1907.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:-

President.

Clause 5, page 3, line 1, after "claim-holder" insert "or holder of a tailings licence."

Clause 5, page 5, the 1, after "chain-holder Insert "of holder Clause 7, line 31, after "same" insert "branch of a."

Clause 8, page 4, line 2, after "a" insert "book to be called a."

page 4, line 4, omit "section," insert "sections."

page 4, line 4, after "twenty-three" insert "and twenty-four."

Clause 9, line 19, after "application" insert "together with the names of the ratepayers who

clause 2, line 19, arter apprearion insert "together with the names of the ratepayers who sign his certificate of character."

Clause 22, line 26, before "on" insert "The Secretary for Mines."

Clause 24, line 43, after "gold" insert "or any person bringing gold for assay or smelting or for the purpose of selling."

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page 9, line, 22, omit "purchased" and insert "received or offered to him for purchase or receiving"

, page 9, line 25, omit "or received." Clause 27, line 43, after "from," where it first occurs, insert "and."

7548. (500 copies.) Clause 28, line 11, after "licensee" insert "as provided in the following sub-section."

Clause 34, line 9, omit "such."

line 9, after "child" insert "apparently under the age of fifteen years." Clause 46, line 19, after "buyer" insert "and the Governor in Council may at any time revoke any such licence.'

line 20, after "Bendigo" insert "only."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

6. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bent, and the same was read:

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 39.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 Constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes."
"An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906."

" An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways." "An Act to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in-Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction."

"An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes."

"An Act to authorize the revesting in the Crown of certain Land granted to Trustees as and for a Road and Approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a Site for a Toll House and Out Offices in connexion with such Bridge the Cancellation of the Crown Grant and for other purposes."

"An Act to further continue the Voting by Post Acts."

"An Act to further extend the Term of certain Mallee Allotment Leases."

"An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July One thousand nine hundred and eight."

"An Act to authorize the raising of money for Railways and other purposes."

"An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways."

"An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes."

"An Act to empower Municipal Councils 10 scour cleanse and keep open certain Drains

constructed by owners of Lands."

"An Act to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes.'

"An Act to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes.'

Government Offices

Melbourne, 16th December, 1907.

7. Adjournment.-Mr. Bent moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 14th January next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bent moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

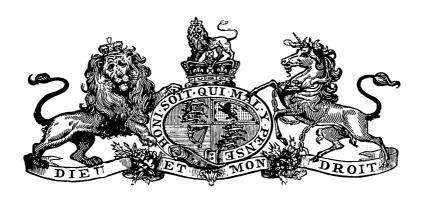
And then the House, at fifty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 14th January next.

THOS. G. WATSON,

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Reginald Arthur James Talbot, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

THE Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue The Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the fourth day of February, 1908.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twenty-third day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

L.S.

R. TALBOT.

By His Excellency's Command,

T. BENT.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1907.

1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS. (Appointed by Speaker's Warrant, 16th July, 1907.) Mr. Hunt, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Watt. Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, 2.—LIBRARY (Joint). (Appointed 18th July, 1907.) Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker, Mr. McBride. Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, 3.—STANDING ORDERS. (Appointed 18th July, 1907.) Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Speaker, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Murray, Mr. Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Toutcher. 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT). (Appointed 18th July, 1907.) Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGregor. 5.—PRINTING. (Appointed 18th July, 1907.) Mr. Keast, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Bowser, Mr. McCntcheon, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT). (Appointed 18th July, 1907.) Mr. Thomson, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, 7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS. (Appointed 30th July, 1907.) Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Watt. Mr. Bowser,

8.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (Joint).

(Appointed 30th July, 1907.)

Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, Mr. Warde.

9.—COAL MINING INDUSTRY.

(Appointed 27th August, 1907.)

Mr. Bowser, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Wilkins.

10.—ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.

(Appointed 24th October, 1907.)

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 1.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 31st JULY, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY, 1907.

No. 1.—Railways Acts further Amendment Bill.—Clause 7.

Restrictions with regard to Pay of Officers and Employés.

"(1) No order shall be made by any Court Judge or Justice for the attachment of the

salary or wages or pay of any officer or employé within the meaning of the Railways Acts."

(2) No assignment by any such officer or employé of the whole or any part of his salary or wages or pay as an officer or employé of the said Board or Commissioners shall have any force or validity anything in any law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding.

(3) This section shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine

hundred and eight .- (Mr. Swinburne.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-section (1) be omitted.—(Mr. Gray.)
Question—That sub-section (1) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Aves, 34.

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Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McGrath,		
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,		
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Membrey,		
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Oman,		
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,		
Mr. J. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,		
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Prendergast,		
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Robertson,		
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Sangster,		
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Smith,		
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Swinburne,		
•	Mr. Toutcher,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,		
Mr. Harris,			
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Warde.		
Mr. Keogh,			
Mr. Lemmon,	Tellers.		
Mr. Mackey,	Mr Argyle,		
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Lawson.		
And so it was resolved	in the affirmative.		

Noes, 12.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. McCutcheon.
Mr. Duffus,	
Mr. Gray,	Tel lers.
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Bowser,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Carlisle.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

8TH AUGUST, 1907. WEEK ENDING

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1.—Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires Bill.—Clause 6.

Out of the said sum there shall in every financial year he payable for every pound actually received as and for general and extra rates in the twelve months ending on the last day of September next preceding such financial year by any municipality entitled to endowment-

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to every "borough" the sum of Three shillings; to every second-class shire the sum of Five shillings;
to every third-class shire the sum of Six shillings;
to every fourth-class shire the sum of Eight shillings; to every fifth-class shire the sum of Ten shillings; and
to every sixth-class shire the sum of Twelve shillings.
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-(Mr. E. II. Cameron.)

Amendment proposed—That after the word "borough," in line 4, the words "or first-class shire" be

inserted—(Mr. McLeod.)
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

11 00, 21.		
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mason,	
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McLeod,	
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Membrey,	
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Oman,	
Mr. Farrer,	Sir Alexander Peacock,	
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Swinburne,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Thomson,	
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins.	
Mr. Harris,		
Mr. Hunt,	<i>m</i> .11	
Mr. Hutchinson,	Tellers.	
Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Argyle,	
Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Robertson.	
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Noes, 21.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Stanley,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. McBride,	Tellers.
Mr. McCutcheon,	Tetters.
Mr. McGrath,	Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Lawson.
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 3.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 15TH AUGUST, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1.—Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—Clause 7.

Election and Qualification of Commissioners.

- . (1) The commissioners shall be elected as follows:-

 - (a) the "council" of the town of Geelong shall elect two commissioners;
 (b) the council of the borough of Newtown and Chilwell shall elect one commissioner;
 (c) the council of the borough of Geelong West shall elect one commissioner;
 (d) the councils of the shires of Corio, Bellarine, and South Barwon shall jointly elect one commissioner.

-(Mr. Boyd.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "council" in paragraph (a), line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "ratepayers."—(Mr. Watt.) Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes,	27.	Noc	es, 25.
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mason,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McBride,	Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Glass,	Mr. Stanley,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Oman,	Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Downward,	Sir Alexander Peacock,	Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Swinburne,	Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Weedon.	Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Forrest,		Mr. McGrath,	Tellers.
Mr. Gray,	Tellers.	Mr. McGregor,	1 0110/3.
Mr. Gurr,	1 etters.	Mr. Murray,	Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Argyle,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Lawson.
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Holden.	I	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 4.

OF THE WHOLE. DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE

WEEK ENDING 21st AUGUST, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1 .- Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.-Clause 48.

(1) The Trust shall for the purpose of forming a sinking fund to pay off the principal sums borrowed under the authority of this Act appropriate and set apart annually such part of the surplus revenues as the Trust after defraying or providing for the ordinary expenditure and the interest on money owing on the security of the rates and charges thinks fit. The amount so appropriated and set apart annually shall not be less than "One-half" per centum per annum of the amount of the principal sums owing.

(2) The Trust shall cause the sums so set apart and appropriated to be invested in such securities as trustees are by law for the time being authorized to invest in or in debentures issued under this Act, and to be increased by accumulation until the sinking fund is of sufficient amount to repay the said principal sums or some part thereof which the Trust may think ought to be paid off.

(3) The Trust may in its discretion postpone the formation of any such sinking fund for any period not exceeding ten years from the appointed day.—(Mr. Boyd.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "One-half," in line 5, be omitted, with a view to insert in place

thereof the word "One."—(Mr. Murray.)

Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 37.		
Mr. Argyle,	Mr. Mackey,	
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. Bent,	Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. McLeod,	
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,	
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Oman,	
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Outtrim,	
Mr. Downward,	Sir Alexander Peacock,	
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Prendergast,	
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Sangster,	
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Smith,	
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Swinburne,	
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher,	
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Wilkins.	
Mr. Hunt,		
Mr. Hutchinson,	Tellers.	
Mr. Langdon,	37. 77	
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Keast,	

Noes, 7.

Mr. Glass,	Tellers.
Mr. Gray, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Murray, Mr. Watt.	Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Tunnecliffe.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Warde.

7550.

Mr. Lemmon,

No. 2.—New Clause A.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act any fifty persons whose names are inscribed on the roll of any municipal district qualified to elect commissioners in accordance with the provisions of section seven hereof may by writing under their hands delivered to the chairman or clerk of such municipal district demand that the question whether or not the Trust be constituted be submitted to a poll of the ratepayers of the area comprised in the Trust.

—(Mr. Murray for Mr. Watt.)

Question—That new clause A be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

	Ayes, 14.	Noes	, 26.
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Livingston,	Tellers.	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Robertson,
	•	Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Swinburne,
		Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Wilkins.
		Mr. Forrest,	
		Mr Gurr,	Tellers.
		Mr. Harris,	Mr. Argyle,
		Mr. Holden,	Mr. Hutchinson.

And so it passed in the negative.

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SESSION 1907.

No. 5.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 29TH AUGUST, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1.—Real Property (Limitation of Actions) Bill.—Clause 8.

If any tenant holding lands by virtue of any lease or agreement executed or made after the passing of this Act shall at his own cost and expense erect any building either detached or otherwise or creet or put in any building fence engine machinery or fixtures either for agricultural purposes or for any other purpose whatever (which shall not have been erected or put in in pursuance of some obligation in that behalf), then, unless there is a provision to the contrary in the lease or agreement constituting the tenancy, all such buildings fences engines machinery or fixtures shall be the property of the tenant and shall be removable by him during his tenancy but not "afterwards"; notwithstanding the same may consist of separate buildings or that the same or any part thereof may be built in or permanently fixed to the soil; so as the tenant making any such removal do not in any wise injure the land or buildings belonging to the landlord or otherwise do put the same in like plight and condition or in as good plight and condition as the same were in before the erection of anything so removed.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Amendm nt proposed—That after the word "afterwards," in line 7, the words "provided that all rent and other moneys payable under such lease or agreement shall have been previously paid to the landlord" be inserted.—(Mr. Gray for Mr. Bayles.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

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Mr. Farrer,	Mr. McBride.
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Kirton,	Tellers.
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Cullen,
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Livingston.

Noes, 38.

Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. Lemmon,	
Mr. Mackey,	Tellers.
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Lawson,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McGrath.

And so it passed in the negative. 7550.

No. 2.—New clause A.

When any person shall be in possession of land without title or interest other than by possession and the rights of all other persons to make entry or to bring action to recover such land shall be barred by such possession the estates and interests of such other persons shall be extinguished the fee shall revert to the Crown and the land become Crown land and the person in possession shall be deemed to be tenant at will to the Crown.—(Mr. Beazley.)

Question—That new clause A be now read a second time—put. Committee divided.

A	Ayes, 12.	Noes,	28.
Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Sangster, Nr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe. *Tellers.* Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Warde.	Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne. Tellers. Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson.

And so it passed in the negative.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 6.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 3RD OCTOBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Police Offences Bill.—New clause A.

Nothing in the *Police Offences Act* 1890 or any other Act shall be deemed to prohibit the games of cards known as progressive euchre, progressive whist, or progressive bridge (whether played for prizes or not and whether the public have access to the place where played or not) if the charges for admission to such place are (exclusive of reasonable expenses) used or to be used solely in aid of an object incidental to the purposes of some mechanics' institute free library or charitable or public institution or to augment the funds of some club with objects primarily devoted to some athletic purpose, nor shall the playing alone of such games in the circumstances aforesaid constitute the place a common gaming house.—(Mr. Elmslie.)

Question—That new clause A be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

A	Ayes, 10.	Noes	, 33.
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster.	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cullen,	Ü	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Glass,	$\it Tellers$.	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Campbell,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
•		Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Robertson,
	•	Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Smith,
		Mr. Harris,	Mr. Stanley,
		Mr. Holden,	Mr. Swinburne,
		Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Watt,
		Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Weedon,
		Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Wilkins.
		Mr. Mackey,	
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Tellers.
		Mr. Mason,	Letter 8.
		Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Argyle,
		Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Duffus.

And so it passed in the negative.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 10TH OCTOBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 6 as amended.

In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act—(a) for the words "employed either inside or outside a factory or workroom" there shall be substituted the words "wheresoever employed;" and (b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby "added:—"

"or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a shop; or

"in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving either generally or in any specified process trade or business; or

"in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of buildings; or

"in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener working for the trade."—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Further amendment proposed—That after the word "added:—," in line 4, the following words be inserted:—"or in any specified indoor or outdoor trade or calling or employment otherwise than in any profession."—(Mr. J. W. Billson.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

. Ayes	, 18.	. Noes,	26.
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Warde.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keast, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mason,	Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Carlisle.

And so it passed in the negative. 7550.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 2.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 11.

- (1) Sub-section (2) and paragraph (b) of sub-section (3) of section one hundred and one of the Principal Act are hereby repealed.
- (2) The Determination of any Special Board may be applied by a notification published in the Government Gazette to any shire or portion of a shire which is at least ten miles from any city or town "if a resolution" has been passed by "both Houses" of Parliament declaring that it is expedient to so extend the Determination of such Special Board.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "if a resolution," in line 5, be omitted.—(Mr. McGrath.)

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 33.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Benzley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lenmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray,	Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Argyle, Mr. Watt.	. · · ·	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words "both Houses," in line 5, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "either House."—(Mr. Beazley.)

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 32

Noes, 20.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 2.

Tellers.
Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. McBride.

No. 4.—

Question—That clause 11 stand part of the Bill—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 50.			
Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Mackey,		
Mr. Argyle,	Mr. Mackinnon,		
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mason,		
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McCutcheon,		
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGrath,		
Mr. Bent,	Mr. McGregor,		
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McKenzie,		
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,		
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Membrey,		
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,		
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Oman,		
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Outtrim,		
Mr. Cullen,	Sir Alexander Peacock,		
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Prendergast,		
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Sangster,		
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Smith,		
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Swinburne,		
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Toutcher,		
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Warde,		
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Weedon,		
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Wilkins.		
Mr. Kirton,			
Mr. Langdon,	Tellers.		
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Elmslie,		
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Watt.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 5.—Clause 12.

In sub-section (!) of section one hundred and twenty-four of the Principal Act for the word "shall" there shall be substituted the words "may in its discretion."—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley,

Question-That clause 12 stand part of the Bill-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 36.

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Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Forrest,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Weedon.
Mr. Hunt,	
Mr. Keast,	Tellers.
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Argyle,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Watt.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 14. Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith,

Mr. Warde,
Mr. Wilkins.
Tellers.
Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 8.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 17TH OCTOBER, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—Clause 1.

This Act may be cited as the Western Area Closer "Settlement" Act 1907 .- (Mr. Mackey.

Amendment proposed-That after the word "Settlement" the words "and Land Tax" be inserted. -(Mr. Prendergast.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

Ayes,	17.	Noes	, 30.
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Wørde, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Elmslie.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle. Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Duffus.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 2.— Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill.—Schedule.

THE CHURCH RULES.

MEMBERSHIP.

1. Applications for membership shall be made to the pastor or to a deacon. These applications shall be considered by the pastor and deacons, and, if approved, the applicant shall be nominated at a Church meeting at least one month prior to election, and may be elected at any subsequent Church meeting or at the usual communion service.

- 2. A Church roll shall be kept by an officer appointed by the pastor and deacons, upon which the names and addresses of all members of the Church shall be inscribed, and no person shall be deemed to be a member of the Church whose name is not inscribed upon such roll. No person present at any meeting of the Church shall be entitled to vote thereat who is not over the age of twenty-one years and whose name is not inscribed upon such roll.
- 3. Persons who give evidence of Christian character and desire to make a profession of their faith may be admitted as communicants at the various Missions of the Church or at the Church, without thereby becoming members, and their names shall not be inserted on the Church roll.
- 4. Any member absent from six consecutive communion services without giving to the pastor or deacons reasons which they may consider sufficient may be considered as having withdrawn from membership, and the name of such member may thereupon be removed from the Church roll. Notice in writing of such removal shall be given to such member.
- 5. Any member becoming insolvent or compounding with creditors shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Church or to hold office therein, but may be re-admitted by the Church on the recommendation of the pastor and deacons.

DEACONS.

- 6. The number of deacons shall be not less than six nor more than twelve, who shall be elected for four years; one-half (or if the number of deacons be uneven then the number next above one-half) shall retire every two years, all of whom shall be eligible for re-election. If necessary, the deacons who are to retire shall be determined by lot. Elections shall take place at the Church meeting preceding the first Sunday in December. Extraordinary vacancies occurring in the diaconate may be filled up by the Church for the unexpired term of office.
- 7. Deacons shall be elected by ballot, whether the number nominated exceeds the number of vacancies or otherwise. No candidate shall be declared elected unless he has received a majority of the votes recorded. Nominations must be made from a printed list of all qualified male members at least one month previous to election, and any member so nominated shall be informed of such nomination. In case the first ballot be not sufficient, a further ballot shall be proceeded with until the election is complete.
- 8. Whenever desirable the Church may, on the recommendation of the pastor and deacons, appoint elders who shall also be honorary deacons.

MEETINGS

- 9. Meetings of the Church for the transaction of business shall be held monthly, and shall be announced at the public services on the Sunday preceding the date on which they are to be held. Special Church meetings may be called by the pastor and deacons, and shall be called by them upon the requisition of ten members; such requisition shall be in writing signed by the members promoting the same, and shall specify the objects for which the meeting is to be called, and shall be delivered to the pastor, or in his absence from Melbourne or in case of a vacancy, to one of the deacons. All such special meetings and the object for which called must be announced at the public services on the previous Sanday subject to the provisions of the following rule:— . . .
- 10. Every special Church meeting convened for the purpose of dealing with the Church lands (or the revenue derived therefrom) shall be held after public announcement at both morning and evening service of the Church on the two Sundays next preceding the day on which the meeting is to be held and any resolution respecting the Church lands (or the revenue derived therefrom) agreed to at such special Church meeting shall not be given effect to unless confirmed at a subsequent meeting of the Church, to be convened as provided in this rule, and held not less than two nor more than four weeks after the meeting, at which such resolution was agreed to.
- 11. The business at Church meetings shall be ordinarily introduced by the paster or deacons, but this practice shall not interfere with the right of any member to bring forward business.
- 12. No vote shall be taken on any business of which two weeks' notice has not been given if four members present at the meeting object thereto, until such notice has been given by announcement at the public services on the two Sundays following such objection.
- 13. If notice be taken that a quorum of members be not present at a Church meeting, no business shall be proceeded with. A quorum shall be one eighth of the number of members on the roll. If within half-an-hour from the time appointed for the meeting notice be taken that a quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened upon such requisition as provided in Rule 9, shall be dissolved; but, in the case of all other Church meetings, it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week, at the same time and place, and so from week to week until a quorum be present.
- 14. The vote at any meeting shall be taken by ballot if desired by four members present at such meeting.
- 15. Any of these rules may be suspended at any Church meeting duly convened, excepting at meetings called for the purpose of dealing with the lands of the Church or the revenue derived therefrom, provided there is no dissenting voice or vote.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- 16. The pastor shall be the president of all societies connected with or promoted by the Church, and, when present, chairman of all meetings of the same. Provided always that full liberty of action is preserved to the Church to appoint another chairman for any particular meeting if, in the opinion of a majority of two-thirds of those present, it be desirable.
- 17. The financial year shall close on the thirty-first December, and an audit of the accounts shall be made by auditors appointed at any previous Church meeting. The balance-sheet shall be printed, and be presented at a Church meeting called by the paster and deacons every year.

- 18. These rules shall be printed in all Manuals published by the Church.
- 19. No alteration of these rules shall be made except at a special meeting. Notice, written or printed, of the proposed alteration shall be sent to every member at least one month before the date of such meeting, and the sending of such notice by prepaid letter to every member whose address appears on the Church roll shall be sufficient evidence of his or her receipt thereof. A majority of two-thirds of the votes of the members present entitled to vote shall be required to give effect to any such alteration. No amendment, other than verbal, in the alterations of which notice shall have been so given shall be allowed, unless notice in writing of such amendment shall have been given to the pastor, or in his absence from Melbourne or in case of a vacancy, to one of the deacons at least three days before the date of the meeting.—(Mr. Mackey.)

'Question-That the Schedule be the Schedule to the Bill-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 5.	
Ayes, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McLeod, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Warde.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass,	Noes, 5. Tellers. Mr. McGrath, Mr. Watt.
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—Clause 3.

In this Act unless the context otherwise requires-

- "Railway" means every line of railway "constructed in pursuance of this Act or " authorized
- by this Act to be constructed.

 "The Fund" means "The Western Area Closer Settlements Fund."

 "Western District Area" or "area" means all land within the boundaries described in the First Schedule to this Act and also all land which forms part of any estate partly within and partly without the boundaries so described.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Amendment proposed-That the words "constructed in pursuance of this Act or," in line 2, be omitted.—(Mr. Keast.)

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 30.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Argyle,	Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Carlisle. Mr. Duffus, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Glass, Mr. Keast, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. McGrath, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Elmslie.
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Lawson.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 2.—Supply—Estimates for 1907-8.

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz .:-

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Division No. 9.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Subdivision No. 34.—(Inalterable.)
"Agent-General—Expenses of Staff and Office

£3,500 "

Tellers.

The sum of £34,654.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the Item "Agent-General—Expenses of Staff and Office, £3,500," be reduced by £500.—(Mr. Watt.) Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. Glass,

Mr. Langdon,

Mr. McGrath,

Mr. McGregor,

Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Tellers.

Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lemmon.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Bayles, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Bent, Mr. McLeod, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Membrey, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Murray,

Mr. Campbell, Sir Alexander Peacock. Mr. Gray, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Harris, Mr. Stanley.

Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon,

Mr. Mason,

Mr. McBride, Mr. Argyle, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Toutcher.

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No. 10.

COMMITTEE THEDIVISIONS IN 0F

NOVEMBER, 1907. WEEK ENDING 8TH

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—Clause 6 as amended.

FINANCIAL.

(1) Section eight and section ten of the Principal Act shall have no force or effect within or in relation to the area.

(2) For the purposes of this Part the Governor in Council-

(a) may from time to time increase the amount of stock known as the Victorian Government stock erected under the authority of the Victorian Government Stock Act 1896 by such additional amount or amounts not exceeding in the whole the sum of Two million pounds as may be required for the purposes of this Part and the Principal Act as amended and modified by this Part, or

(b) may pursuant to the Principal Act issue debentures for the whole or any portion of

such additional amount in lieu of increasing stock as aforesaid,

all of which stock and debentures and interest thereon respectively at such rate or rates as the Governor in Council may fix shall be chargeable upon the consolidated revenue of Victoria.

(3) The proceeds of the sale of the said stock or of such debentures shall be paid into the Fund which shall without further or other authority than this Act be issued and applied only for and towards the several purposes specified in this Part or in the Principal Act as amended and modified by this Part.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Question—That clause 6, as amended, stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Mr. Lemmon,

7550.

Ayes, 46. Mr. Mackey, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Mason, Mr. Bennett, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Gregor, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Murray, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Oman, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Downward, Mr. Prendergast, . Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Smith, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Ward, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. Keast. Mr. Keogh, Tellers. Mr. Kirton, Mr. Argyle, Mr. Lawson,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McGrath.

Noes, 5.

Tellers. Mr. Bayles, Mr. Gray, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Livingston. Mr. McKenzie,

COMPULSORY PURCHASE.

When after any private land "within the area" has in pursuance of the Principal Act been reported on and when an offer in writing, or written offer with conditions as hereinafter provided, to purchase the same or any part thereof for the Crown at a price has been made to the owner thereof by the Board, then, if within such time as may be notified to the owner by the Board the owner does not agree in writing to accept such offer or offer with conditions (as the case may be), the Governor in Council may authorize the Board to acquire the land or any part thereof compulsorily; and the Board may thereupon if it think fit subject to this Act acquire the same accordingly under the provisions of the Principal Act, in like manner as if such compulsory acquirement had been authorized by a resolution of both Houses of Parliament and directed by the Minister.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "within the area," in line 1, be omitted.—(Mr. Murray.) Question - That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ay	ves, 30.	Noe	s, 20.
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. Bowser, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Downward, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Lawson.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Gray, Mr. Keast, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray,	Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. McGrath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.-Clause 13.

In determining what sum is to be paid by way of compensation in respect of land taken or thereby injuriously affected the Compensation Court shall not determine on any sum exceeding the value, on the day of the commencement of the present session of Parliament, of such land for the purposes of grazing and cultivation in addition to the actual value to the land of any buildings thereon; and the Court shall not have regard to any advantages which might accrue to the owner thereof by reason of any railway or proposed railway or to any other prospective benefits or advantages probably resulting from the operation of this Act; and no disposition or improvement of any land after the said day shall be deemed to operate so as to increase the said value.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Amendment proposed-That the following words be added to the clause, viz. :-- "and the compensation paid shall not exceed the average annual municipal value of such land in the valuation on which rates have been made and levied by the municipal authority during the seven years next preceding the service of notice that such land is required for the purposes of this Act, plus ten per cent. upon such valuation.—(Mr. Anstey.)
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 8. Noes, 20. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. Bent. Mr. McLeod, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Mr. Glass, Tellers. Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. McGrath, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Lemmon. Mr. Harris, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Holden, Mr. Toutcher. Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackey, Tellers. Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Argyle, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Keast.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 7TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz.:—"The owners of the land within the area shall before the thirty-first December One thousand ninehundred and seven assess their land for purposes of municipal taxation and the compensation paid for the purposes of this Act shall not exceed such assessment."—(Mr. Anstey.) Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Ayes, 8.		Noes, 18.	
Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Prendergast. Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Lemmon.	Mr. Bent, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McLeod, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Keast.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 5.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 29.

Small Shops.

In this and the following sections the expression "small shops" means those shops which would except for the following provisions of this Act be required to close at the times specified in section twenty-two of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2) and wherein only one assistant (whether paid or unpaid) is engaged or employed, and the shopkeeper whereof and the assistant (if any) are registered as hereinafter provided.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Question—That clause 29 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided

3, 28.	No	oes, 15.
Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Eluslie	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers.	Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Tellers. Mr. McGrath, Mr. Warde.
	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers.	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6.—Clause 26 as amended.

Mr. Livingston,

Where the Minister is satisfied that an organized strike or industrial dispute is about to take place or has actually taken place in connexion with any process trade business or employment as to any matter which is the subject of a Determination of a Special Board or of the Court of Industrial Appeals, the Governor in Council may by order published in the Government Gazette suspend for any period not exceeding twelve months the whole or any part or parts of such Determination so far as it relates to the matter in reference to which such organized strike or industrial dispute is about to take place or has taken place, and such suspension may at any time by an order published in the Government Gazette be removed by the Governor in Council or altered or amended in such manner as he thinks fit.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Billson,

Question-That clause 26, as amended, stand part of the Bill-put. Committee divided.

Tellers.

Mr. Argyle,

Mr. Keast.

Mr. Lawson.

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Ayes, 29.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Preudergast,	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins, Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson Mr. McGrath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Livingston,

Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon,

No. 7.—New clause EE.

The Court of Industrial Appeals shall have all the powers of the Supreme Court and shall in every case be guided by the real justice of the matter without regard to legal forms and solemnities and shall direct itself by the best evidence it can procure or that is laid before it when ther the same be such evidence as the law would require or admit in other cases or not; and if the Court considers any further evidence or information which would assist the Court could be obtained, the Court shall intimate in open Court what further evidence or information the Court desires.

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Question-That new clause EE be now read a second time-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, And so it was resolved	Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Keast. I in the affirmative.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lemmon.

No. 8.—New clause JJ.

(1) Sub-sections (2) and (3) of section one hundred and twenty of the Principal Act are

hereby repealed.
(2) The Court of Industrial Appeals shall consist of any one of the Judges of the Supreme Court; and the said Judges shall arrange the rotation in which each of them shall for the time being constitute the Court of Industrial Appeals.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Question—That new clause JJ be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes	3, 27.	Noes,	15.
Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McLeod, And so it was resolved	Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Watt.	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGrath.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 11.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 14TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—New clause B.

- (1) In section ninety-nine of the Principal Act for the words "Chief Inspector" or "inspector" wherever occurring there shall be substituted the words "Special Board."
- (2) Any reference to the Special Board in the said section as so amended shall be taken to refer to the Special Board which fixed the minimum wage in respect of which a licence in sought by any aged or infirm or slow worker.—(Mr. J. W. Billson.)

Question—That new clause B be now read a second time—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.		No	Noes, 34.	
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Elmslie, Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Keogh.	

No. 2.—New clause E.

In section ninety of the Principal Act after the words "per week" (wherever occurring) there shall be inserted the words "or per day or both per week and per day."—(Mr. Elmslie.)

Question—That new clause E be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.		Noes	, 36.
Mr. Austey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Glass, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Elmslie.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Weedon, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Keogh.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.-New clause G.

In the Principal Act the whole of Part X. and all references to the Court of Industrial Appeals are hereby repealed. --(Mr. Prendergast.)

Question—That new clause G be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 32.	
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lemmon.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Keogh.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 4.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—New clause H.

- (1) Section six of the Principal Act is hereby repealed.
- (2) The Factories and Shops Acts and all determinations thereunder shall (subject to the provisions of section eight of the Factories and Shops Act 1905) have full force and effect throughout the whole State of Victoria.—(Mr. McGrath.)

Question-That new clause H be now read a second time-put.

Ayes, 18.		Noes	Noes, 30.	
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Outtim,	Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lemmon.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon.	
		Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon,	Tellers. Mr. Argyle,	
	•		$_{ au}$ $Tellers.$	
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Lawson.	

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 5.—New clause J.

- (1) In sub-section one of section ninety-one of the Principal Act after the words "proportionate number of" for the word "improvers" there shall be substituted the words "apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be)."
- (2) In sub-section two of the said section before the last word "improvers" there shall be inserted the words "apprentices or."—(Mr. Lemmon.)

Question—That new clause J be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

	Ayes, 20.	Noes,	33.
Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Prendergast,	M1. Bayles,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Elms.ie,	Mr. Warde,	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Watt,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wilkins.	Mr. Cullen,	Sir Alexander Peacock.
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. Downward,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Membrey,	Tellers.	Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Stanley,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Thomson,
		Mr. Gray,	Mr. Toutcher,
		Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Weedon.
		Mr. Harris,	
		Mr. Hutchinson,	Tallana
		Mr. Keast,	Tellers.
		Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Argyle,
		Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Carlisle.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 6.—Clause 6 as amended—(On recommittal.)

In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act—(a) for the words "employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room" there shall be substituted the words "wheresoever employed"; and (b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby added:—

"or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a "shop"; or

"in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of buildings; or

Amendment proposed—That after the word "shop," in line 5, the words "warehouse, bank, or mercantile office" be inserted—(Mr. Warde.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

[&]quot;in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving either generally or in any specified process trade or business; or

[&]quot;in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener working for the trade."—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Warde,
Mr. Wilkins.
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Tellers.
Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. McGrath.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cullen,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Weedon.
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Hutchinson,	Tellers.
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Argyle,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Thomson.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 12.

OF THE WHOLE. DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE

WEEK ENDING 21ST NOVEMBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 6.—(On recommittal.) In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act-

(a) for the words "employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room" there shall

be substituted the words "wheresoever employed;" and

(b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby added:— "or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a shop; or

"in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving either generally or in any specified process trade or "business;" or "in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of

buildings; or "in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener working for the trade."—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That after the word "business," in line 7, the words "or any or all employés occupied on tramway lines, cars, or tramway sheds, works, or offices" be inserted.—(Mr. Bromley.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put, Committee divided.

A.	yes, 22.	No	es, 34.
Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Beanett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Watt, Mr. Wilkins. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lemmon.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keast, Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Thomson.

No. 2.-

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause:—"or in the business or occupation of a gold miner."—(Mr. McGrath.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

Noes, 32.

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Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Membrey, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lawson.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murray, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers.
	·	Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Argyle,
		Mr. Langdon.	Mr. Thomson.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause:—"or in the business or occupation of an engine-driver being in charge of mining machinery."—(Mr. Tunnecliffe.) Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Noes, 29.

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Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Elmslie.	Mr. Smith,	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Glass.	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Kirton,		Mr. Carlisle,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Lemmon,	Tellers.	Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Membrey,	Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Weedon.
		Mr. Forrest,	
		Mr. Gray,	
		Mr. Gurr,	Tellers.
Ť		Mr. Holden,	Mr. Argyle,
	-	Mr. Hunt.	Mr. Thomson.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 13.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 28TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 11.

Lodgers, Boarders, Travellers, or Inmates.

In any proceedings against a licensed person or secretary of a registered club for any contravention of the Licensing Acts, any persons present in the licensed premises or club premises shall until otherwise proved by the defendant be deemed by the Court or justices hearing the case not to be bonâ fide lodgers, weekly or other boarders, bonâ fide travellers or inmates or servants.—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Question-That clause 11 stand part of the Bill-put.

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Committee divided.

Ау	es, 30.	ı	Voes, 20.
Mr. Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Downward, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Garham, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson. Tellers. Mr. Lemmon, Mr. MeGrath.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Benzley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Gray, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Warde. Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Elmslie.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. 7550.

No. 2.—Schedule.

Amendment proposed--That the following words be added to the Schedule:-

"Sub-section two of section seventy-six of the Licensing Act 1906 is hereby repealed."—
(Mr. Gray.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.		Noes.	33.
Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keogle,	Mr. Laugdon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McBride, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Oman, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster. Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Warde.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Campbell, Mr. Downward, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Graham, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Lawson.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SESSION 1907.

No. 14.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 6TH DECEMBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Supply—Estimates for 1907-8.

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XII.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Division No. 84.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

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TRANSPORTATION BRANCH AND GENERAL PASSENGER AND FREIGHT AGENT'S OFFICE.

"General Passenger and Freight Agent	•••	• • •	•••	•••	• • •	£600."
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The sum of £1,295,174.—(Mr. Bent.)

Amendment proposed and question put-That the Item "General Superintendent of Transportation, £700," be reduced by £1.—(Mr. Lemmon.)

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Committee divided			
\mathbf{A}_{2}	yes, 22.	No	oes, 33.
Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Glass, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Murray,	Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. **Tellers.** Mr. Austey, Mr. Elmslie.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gray, Mr. Grur, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle,
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Bowser.

No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed and question put—That the Item "General Passenger and Freight Agent, £600," be reduced by £1.—(Mr. McGrath.)

Committee divided.

Ayes	, 15.	Noes,	35.
Mr. Anstey, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Glass, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Murray,	Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe. *Tellers.* Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bent, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Keset, Mr. Keyon,	Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Warde, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Watt.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 3.—Supply—Estimates for 1907-8.

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1907-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XII.-MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Division No. 84.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

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The sum of "£1,295,174."—(Mr. Bent.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £1,000.—(Mr. Anstey.) Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 35.	
Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Smith,	M1. Bayles,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Bei nett,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Warde,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Wilkins.	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Glass,		Mr. Boyd,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Lemmou,	Tellers.	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. McGrath.	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. McLeod,
		Mr. Cullen,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
		Mr. Downward,	Mr. Robertson,
		Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Stanley,
		Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Swinburne,
		Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
		Mr. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher.
		Mr. Holden,	
		Mr. Hunt,	Tellers.
		Mr. Hutchinson,	1 etters.
		Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Carlisle,
		Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Duffus.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 15.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 13TH DECEMBER, 1907.

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—Clause 2.

In order to ascertain whether or not the electors of the Legislative Assembly are in favour of or against the Education "Acts" being so amended as to allow of unsectarian Scripture ressons being given in State schools during the school hours to those children whose parents do not object and by State school teachers who have no conscientious objections to so doing a a general poll or referendum shall be taken pursuant to this Act.—(Mr. Bent.)

Amendment proposed—That after the word "Acts," in line 2, the words "remaining as it is at present free secular and compulsory" be inserted.—(Mr. Keast.)

Question-That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted-put.

Committee divided.

Noes, 28. Ayes, 29. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bayles, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Murray, Mr. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Bent, Mr. Oman, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Robertson, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bromley, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Downward, Mr. Smith, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Duffus, • Mr. Forrest, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Weedon. Mr. Gray, Mr. Warde, Mr. Glass, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Wilkins. Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Holden, Tellers. Mr. Kirton, Mr. Hunt, Tellers. Mr. Livingston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Watt. Mr. Mackey, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Elmslie. Mr. Lemmon,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 2.—Railways Standing Committee Acts Amend menBill.—New clause B.

In sub-section (3) of section five of the Railways Standing Committee Act 1904 for the word "eight" the word "twelve" is hereby substituted.—(Mr. Mackey.)

Question—That new clause B be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes	, 34.	Noes	, 12.
Mr. Bent, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Gray, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Watt. Tellers. Mr. Argyle, Mr. Lawson.	Mr. Beazley, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Gurr, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Tunnecliffe. Tellers. Mr. Anstey, Mr. Lemmon.
And so it was resolved	u in the amrmative.		

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 3.—Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—Clause 2 as amended.

In order to ascertain whether or not the electors of the Legislative Assembly are in favour of or against the Education Acts remaining as it is at present free secular and "compulsory" being so amended as to allow of unsectarian Scripture lessons being given in State schools during the school hours to those children whose parents do not object and by State school teachers who have no conscientious objections to so doing" a general poll or referendum shall be taken pursuant to this Act. -(Mr. Bent.)

Further amendment proposed-That after the word "compulsory," in line 2, the words "or whether the said electors are in favour of Scripture lessons being given in the State schools during school

hours" be inserted.—(Mr. Bowser.)
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes	, 29.	Noes, 2	8.
Mr. Bayles, Mr. Bent, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Boyd, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Graham, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Mason, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Swinburne, Mr. Watt, Mr. Weedon. Tellers. Mr. Argyle,	Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Downward, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Glass, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Keast, Mr. Keogh, Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Murray, Mr. Oman, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Smith, Mr. Toutcher, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Warde, Mr. Wilkins. . Tellers. Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. McGrath.
Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Lawson.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be omitted from the clause :- "being so amended as to allow of unsectarian Scripture lessons being given in State schools during the school hours to those children whose parents do not object and by State school teachers who have no conscientious objections to so doing."—(Mr. Mackinnon.)

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 30.	
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGrath,	Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Oman,	Mr. Boyd,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cullen,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Farrer,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Toutcher,	Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Stanley,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Swinburne,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins.	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Hunt,		Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Weedon.
Mr. Keast,	Tellers.	Mr. Hutchinson,	
Mr. Keogh,	Mr. Anstey,	Mr. Kirton,	Tellers.
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Argyle,
• • •		Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Lawson.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1907.

No. 16

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 19TH DECEMBER, 1907.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No 1.—Gold Buyers Law Amendment Bill.—Clause 20 as amended.

LICENSING OF BANKS.

(1) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, the Secretary for Mines may grant to any bank (a) a gold buyer's licence or a gold assayer's licence or both on the payment for each licence of * * * * for the principal office of such bank and of Two pounds for each licence for such branch bank, or (b) on a like payment a general gold buyer's licence or general gold assayer's licence or both accompanied by a list showing each branch to which the licence shall apply.

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(Mr. McLeod.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "the fee provided by section seventeen of this Act" be inserted in line 4, in place of the words "a fee of Two pounds" omitted.—(Mr. McLeod.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put.

Mr. Bromley,

Committee divided.

Ayes,	19.
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Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Glass,	Mr. McKenzic,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Smith,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Holden	

Noes, 8.

Mr. Warde.

Mr. Elmshe,	
Mr. McGrath,	Tellers
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Watt.

Mr. Langdon, Mr. Mackey,

Mr. Mackinnon,

Tellers.
Mr. Argyle,

Mr. Mason, Mr. Toutcher.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

