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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 9TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the 11th day of June 1878—which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria and, subject to the limitation therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient: And whereas the said Council and Assembly, called "The Parliament of Victoria," stand prorogued until Tuesday the twenty-fifth day of June instant, and it is expedient further to prorogue the same and to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof: Now therefore I, the Governor of Victoria, in exercise of the power conferred by the said Act, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria from Tuesday the twenty-fifth day of June instant until Tuesday the ninth day of July next ensuing; and also I do hereby fix Tuesday the aforesaid ninth day of July as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Council and Assembly, called the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at Two of the clock in the afternoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Parliament place, Spring street, 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 Colony, at Melbourne, this eleventh day of June in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and in the forty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

G. F. BOWEN,
By His Excellency's Command,
GRAHAM BERRY,
Chief Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

2. MESSAGE BY THE USHER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—
MR. SPEAKER,
His Excellency the Governor desires the immediate attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Chamber of the Legislative Council.
Accordingly Mr. Speaker and the House went to His Excellency, and being returned—
3. ISSUE OF WRITS.—Mr. Speaker announced that since the prorogation of Parliament he had issued Writs for the election of Members to serve for the following Electoral Districts, viz.:—
For the Electoral District of Warrnambool, in the place of Sir James McCulloch, resigned,
For the Electoral District of Castlemaine, in the place of James Farrell, Esq., resigned,
For the Electoral District of South Gippsland, in the place of G. D. Macartney, Esq., LL.D., deceased.
4. RETURN TO WRITS.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received Returns to the several Writs hereafter mentioned, from which it appeared that the gentlemen hereinafter named had been returned as Members to serve in the Assembly for the several districts set opposite their respective names:—
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., for the Electoral District of West Melbourne,
James Goodall Francis, merchant, for the Electoral District of Warrnambool,
Charles Henry Pearson, gentleman, for the Electoral District of Castlemaine,
Francis Conway Mason, for the Electoral District of South Gippsland.
5. MEMBERS SWORN.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., James Goodall Francis, Esq., Charles Henry Pearson, Esq., and Francis Conway Mason, Esq., were then introduced, and, having severally taken the Oath, took their seats as Members of the Legislative Assembly.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Ballarat Juvenile Industrial Exhibition—Further despatch and enclosure respecting.
New Hebrides Islands—Despatch and Enclosures respecting the Protectorate of the.
Duplication of Telegraph Lines—Report of the Proceedings of the Conference respecting the
—between Australasia and Europe, held in May 1878.
Friendly Societies Act 1877—Regulations.

Jika Reformatory—Report of the Board appointed to enquire into the Outbreak of the Inmates of the Reformatory for Boys at.

Indian Famine Relief Fund—Further Despatch and Enclosure respecting the.
Differences between the two Houses of Legislature—Correspondence respecting the—on certain constitutional points.

Parliamentary Crisis—Copy Despatches from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor.

Proposed re-instatement of certain officers in the Public Service—Memoranda of His Excellency the Governor and the Ministers respecting the—

Post Office Savings Bank—Statement of Accounts of—for the Year ended 31st December 1877.

Proposed Telegraph Cable between New Zealand and America—Further correspondence.

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report upon the affairs of the—for the Year 1877.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Berry presented—

Public Accounts—Regulations respecting—

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st March 1878.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Mineral Statistics for the Year 1877.

Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Reports of the—for the Quarter ended 31st March 1878.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Import, Export, Transhipment, and Shipping Returns—General Summary of the—with the Abstract of Customs Revenue for the Year 1877.

Melbourne Harbor Trust—Accounts of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners—for the Year 1877.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Lalor presented, pursuant to *The Fisheries Act*—

Government Gazettes Nos. 49, 59, and 67, containing Proclamations under the above Act.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Public Health Statute 1865*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to amend 'The Public Health Statute 1865,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 16th July instant.

8. GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council, when His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament (of which, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy) which he read to the House and is as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have called you together for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance at a most important juncture of public affairs.

Notwithstanding serious misgivings to the contrary, it is now probable that the peace of Europe will not be further disturbed, and it is gratifying to know that this satisfactory result has been largely influenced by the firm policy of the Imperial Government. I have, however, the satisfaction of informing you that my Advisers have considerably improved the defence armaments of the colony, and that the further recommendations of Sir Wm. Jervois will be carried out with vigor to their completion at the earliest possible date.

Experience has abundantly proved that a single line of cable connecting Australasia with Europe is subject to such frequent interruptions as to impose great inconvenience and loss, and, in certain eventualities, serious danger. Impressed with a conviction of the necessity for a duplication of the submarine cable, my Advisers readily accepted the suggestion of the Government of South Australia to hold a Conference in Melbourne. The result has been embodied in a contract with the Eastern Extension Company, which in due course will be submitted to you, providing for the speedy laying down of a second cable.

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In accordance with promises made by my Advisers during the last Session, I have appointed Commissions to enquire into the Closed Roads of the Colony, the operation of the Land Act, the Export of Wattle Bark, and other important subjects. The Commissioners having during the recess given practical attention to these various investigations at great sacrifice of time and personal exertion, and having accumulated stores of valuable information, are now in a position to submit for your consideration Progress or Final Reports embodying the well-considered results of their enquiries.

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I am glad to inform you that the finances of the country are in a satisfactory condition.

The Estimates of the current financial year will be laid before you without delay ; and while a strict economy has been observed in their preparation, adequate provision has been made for the requirements of the Public Service.

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The gravity and importance of Constitutional Reform will most probably prevent your giving attention to other legislation except matters of most urgent moment ; but my Advisers are prepared to deal with many questions of great public importance, including a Mining on Private Property Bill, an Assembly Elections Bill, an Amending Electoral Bill, a Judicature and Court of Primary Appeal Bill, and an Amending Land Bill, which measures they will be ready to submit to you as soon as the Bill to amend the Constitution Act may become law.

The abundant rains of autumn and of the present winter give every promise of a prosperous season for all classes ; and I trust that your labors will, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the further happiness and prosperity of the people of Victoria.

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Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-three minutes past six o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having at the Table informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day, and that no fresh business (except the postponement of business on the paper) be called on after Eleven o'clock, p.m.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session, the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business, except that on Wednesday, Private Bills, Notices of Motion relating to Bills, and Orders of the Day, and Notices of Motion other than Government business, shall have precedence from half-past Four o'clock till twenty-five minutes past Six o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Select Committee of the Assembly on Standing Orders during the present Session, five to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Casey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. B. G. Davies, Mr. Munro, Mr. Service, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Gaunson, Sir John O'Shanassy, Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., Mr. Gillies, and Mr. Berry.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Sir J. O'Shanassy, Mr. Mirams, Mr. O'Hea, and Mr. Tucker.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Woods, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Langridge, and Mr. Purves.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, three to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Andrew, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Cope, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Zox, Mr. Bent, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Fincham, Mr. Nimmo, and Mr. Sharpe.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Dixon, Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Brophy, Mr. L. L. Smith, and Mr. Hunt.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for resumption of the debate on the question—
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Informing His Excellency that we notice that the gravity and importance of Constitutional Reform will most probably prevent our giving attention to other legislation except matters of most

urgent moment ; but that we are glad to learn that His Excellency's Advisers are prepared to deal with many questions of great public importance, including a Mining on Private Property Bill, an Assembly Elections Bill, an Amending Electoral Bill, a Judicature and Court of Primary Appeal Bill, and an Amending Land Bill, which measures they will be ready to submit to us as soon as the Bill to amend the Constitution Act may become law.

Assuring His Excellency that we rejoice to know that the abundant rains of autumn and of the present winter give every promise of a prosperous season for all classes ; and expressing our trust that our labors will, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the further happiness and prosperity of the people of Victoria—having been read,

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Pearson moved, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to His Excellency the Governor upon the said resolution ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Berry, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Munro, Mr. Wright, Mr. Graves, Mr. Barr, Mr. Brophy, Mr. Fergusson, Mr. Sainsbury, Mr. Nimmo, and the Mover, and that they do retire immediately.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That His Excellency's Speech to both Houses of Parliament be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. Pearson, Chairman, brought up the Report from this Committee, which was read and is in the words following :—

To His Excellency SIR GEORGE FERGUSON BOWEN, *Knight Grand Cross of the most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign.

We thank Your Excellency for having called us together for the purpose of obtaining our advice and assistance at a most important juncture of public affairs.

We beg to inform Your Excellency that we rejoice to hear that, notwithstanding serious misgivings to the contrary, it is now probable that the peace of Europe will not be further disturbed, and that it is gratifying to know that this satisfactory result has been largely influenced by the firm policy of the Imperial Government. We inform Your Excellency that we learn with satisfaction that Your Excellency's Advisers have considerably improved the defence armaments of the colony, and that the further recommendations of Sir Wm. Jervois will be carried out with vigor to their completion at the earliest possible date.

We beg to inform Your Excellency that we concur that experience has abundantly proved that a single line of cable connecting Australasia with Europe is subject to such frequent interruptions, as to impose great inconvenience and loss, and, in certain eventualities, serious danger. We assure Your Excellency that we are gratified to hear that, impressed with a conviction of the necessity for a duplication of the submarine cable, Your Excellency's Advisers readily accepted the suggestion of the Government of South Australia to hold a Conference in Melbourne. We thank Your Excellency for informing us that the result has been embodied in a contract with the Eastern Extension Company, which in due course will be submitted to us, providing for the speedy laying down of a second cable.

We beg to express our satisfaction that the Victorian Department in the great International Exhibition at Paris has attracted favorable notice, not only to our great natural resources, but also to the mature advance made in the varied manufactures happily established amongst us. We thank Your Excellency for informing us that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has evinced considerable interest in the Victorian display in all its branches, and we join with Your Excellency in the opinion that the hearty approval of His Royal Highness, given on the spot to the result of the labors of the Victorian Commissioners cannot but be ratified by the generous endorsement of our whole community.

We beg to express our gratification that Your Excellency's Advisers requested the Commissioners for the Paris Exhibition to adjudicate on the designs for the building in which it is proposed to hold the International Exhibition, and that the selection has been made and preparations have been commenced for the erection of the building on a most suitable and commanding site.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that, in accordance with promises made by Your Excellency's Advisers during the last Session, Your Excellency has appointed Commissions to inquire into the closed Roads of the Colony, the operation of the Land Act, the Export of Wattle Bark, and other important subjects ; and we acquaint your Excellency that we notice with pleasure that the Commissioners having during the recess given practical attention to these various investigations at great sacrifice of time and personal exertion, and having accumulated stores of valuable information, are now in a position to submit to our consideration Progress or Final Reports embodying the well-considered results of their inquiries.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that the finances of the country are in a satisfactory condition.

Also that the Estimates of the current Financial Year will be laid before us without delay ; and that while a strict economy has been observed in their preparation, adequate provision has been made for the requirements of the Public Service.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that Your Excellency's Advisers have concluded an agreement with the Directors of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company for the purchase of that undertaking, subject to our approval and to that of the shareholders.

We concur with Your Excellency in the opinion that the Constitution established in this country nearly a quarter of a century ago was, without doubt, intended to be fashioned on the model of the British Constitution. Also that, unhappily, the attempt to embody in comparatively rigid

Statute law the elasticity inherent in the principles and practice of that Constitution has not been completely successful, and that differences in the interpretation of our Constitution Act have resulted in bringing the legislative machinery of the State to a temporary stand-still on no less than four different occasions. We thank Your Excellency for informing us that a measure of Constitutional Reform, aiming at a final adjustment of the legislative functions of both the Council and the Assembly, will be immediately laid before us; and we express our conviction that it, undoubtedly, will be considered from a patriotic point of view by the Members of both Houses, irrespective of party. We thank Your Excellency for the assurance that its acceptance will put an end for all time to the recurrence of those periodical "dead-locks," which are so injurious to trade and commerce, and a standing disgrace to the constitutional institutions of Victoria.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that a Railway Construction Bill, embracing the establishment of a defined State System of Railways, will be submitted to us. We concur with Your Excellency that the increasing demands for railway facilities now arising from extended agricultural settlement must be promptly met, if that settlement is to be permanently successful. Also that main trunk lines to the junction of the Darling with the Murray and to the South Australian border are imperatively demanded in the interests of commerce, and that the increasing revenue from the existing lines—amounting in the last year to One million two hundred thousand pounds—is gratifying evidence of the financial soundness of the policy of extending our railways to meet the requirements of the agriculture and commerce of Victoria.

We beg to inform Your Excellency that we notice that the construction of Railways, the contemplated purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway, the extension of Waterworks, the further erection of State Schools, the completion of the Law Courts and of the Houses of Parliament, and various other Public Works, will necessitate a further loan. And we assure Your Excellency that we are glad to know that the present condition of the money market in London is considered favorable for effecting this purpose, and that a Bill authorizing such Loan will be submitted to us without delay.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that the project of holding an International Exhibition in Melbourne in the year 1880 has been further considered and matured by Your Excellency's Advisers during the recent recess. We beg to inform Your Excellency that we receive with pleasure the assurance that the experience gained in Paris by our Executive Commissioner, joined to the many offers of co-operation from influential quarters which have been received, fully justify the undertaking. And we beg to inform Your Excellency that the Bill for the purpose to be submitted for our consideration will receive our best attention.

We beg to inform Your Excellency that we notice that the gravity and importance of Constitutional Reform will most probably prevent our giving attention to other legislation, except matters of most urgent moment; but that we are glad to learn that Your Excellency's Advisers are prepared to deal with many questions of great public importance, including a Mining or Private Property Bill, an Assembly Elections Bill, an Amending Electoral Bill, a Judicature and Court of Primary Appeal Bill, and an Amending Land Bill, which measures they will be ready to submit to us as soon as the Bill to amend the Constitution Act may become law.

We assure Your Excellency that we rejoice to know that the abundant rains of autumn and of the present winter give every promise of a prosperous season for all classes; and we express our trust that our labors will, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the further happiness and prosperity of the people of Victoria.

Mr. Pearson moved, That this House do agree with the Committee in the said Address to be presented to His Excellency.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

11. SUPPLY.—Mr. Berry moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Berry moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

JOHN JAMES,
Deputy Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 11TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having at the Table informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Mason presented a Petition from certain selectors of Crown lands in the parish of Naracan, praying that provision be included in any Land Bill passed by this House for the amendment of the present Land Act as set forth in the Petition.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SCHOOLS AND CLASSIFICATION OF TEACHERS.—Mr. Richardson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of schools, with an average attendance of less than thirty; also the classification of teachers employed in them.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. GOULBURN VALLEY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway, to be called "The Goulburn Valley Railway."
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway, to be called 'The Goulburn Valley Railway,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 16th July instant.
6. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Railway Construction Act 1877, so far as it relates to the construction of the Daylesford line.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Railway Construction Act 1877, so far as it relates to the construction of the Daylesford Line,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 16th July instant.
7. LOCAL BODIES—LOANS.—Mr. Dwyer moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amounts borrowed by, and total present indebtedness of local bodies in the colony (including those of Melbourne and Geelong) and specifying in respect of each of such loans, the date, duration, purpose, amount, rate per cent., security, and amount of principal and interest if any paid off in reduction.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOL GRANTS.—Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return of all lands granted for church and school purposes, specifying the denominations in the colony of Victoria previous to separation from New South Wales.
(2.) A return of all lands granted for church and school purposes, specifying the denominations, cities, towns, parishes, &c., from the inauguration of responsible government up to the time of the passing of the State Aid Abolition Act.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. POSTAGE RATES.—Mr. L. L. Smith moved, pursuant to notice—
(1.) That in the opinion of this House the postage upon all letters delivered within the colony of Victoria shall be at the uniform rate of one penny.
(2.) That all newspapers printed and published in this colony should be post free, and that they should leave the colony by rail or steamer free.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Dwyer moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 17th July instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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10. **WILLIAM MONIE'S CONTRACT.**—Mr. Laurens moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of William Monie, for works in connection with Contract No. 117, Victorian Water Supply; such Committee to consist of Mr. Mirams, Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Cook, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
 Debate ensued.
 Major W. C. Smith moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 17th July instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **MR. J. P. ATKINSON.**—Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House all papers relating to the claim of Mr. J. P. Atkinson for promotion.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.
12. **VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—TENDERS FOR REFRESHMENT ROOMS AND BOOK STALLS.**—Mr. Dwyer moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the way in which the Railway Department has dealt with the recent tenders for the Refreshment Rooms and Book Stalls; such Committee to consist of Mr. Graves, Mr. Mason, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Cooper, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Bosisto, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Gaunson moved, as an amendment, that all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words "The Minister of Railways has improperly dealt with the recent Tenders for the Book Stalls."
 Debate continued.
 Amendment and motion by leave withdrawn.
13. **REPORTING PROCEEDINGS OF PARLIAMENT.**—Mr. Richardson moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the best method of securing correct Reports of the Proceedings of Parliament, with the view of publishing them daily; such Committee to consist of Sir John O'Shanassy, Mr. Munro, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Nimmo, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Progress Report and Evidence taken before the Committee on the same subject laid upon the Table of the House last Session be referred to this Committee.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. **LEGAL PROFESSIONS BILL.**—Mr. Dwyer moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further integrate the Legal Professions.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Gaunson do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Dwyer then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further integrate the Legal Professions,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 17th July instant.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-five minutes to Eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

JOHN JAMES,
Deputy Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 16TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Assembly agreed to on the 10th instant; and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply thereto :—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN :

I thank you, in the name of the Queen, for this loyal Address.

I rely with confidence on the expression of your intention to give your earnest consideration to the measures which will be submitted to you, and on your efforts to promote the general prosperity of all classes in this community.

(Signed)

G. F. BOWEN.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th July 1878.

3. THE COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The following Warrant appointing “The Committee of Elections and Qualifications” was, this day, laid upon the Table of the Assembly by Mr. Speaker, viz. :—

“VICTORIA.

“Pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislative Council of Victoria, passed in the nineteenth year of Her present Majesty’s reign, intituled ‘*An Act to provide for the Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria respectively,*’ I do hereby appoint—

Henry Bell, Esquire,
The Honorable James Macpherson Grant,
Andrew Lyell, Esquire,
James MacBain, Esquire,
The Honorable John Madden, LL.D.,
The Honorable James Munro,
John Nimmo, Esquire,

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 eight hundred and seventy-eight.

(Signed)

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.”

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN,

*Governor.**Message No. 1.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Expenditure for 1878–9, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th July 1878.

On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly ordered the above Message, together with the accompanying Estimates to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

5. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON’S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—Mr. Tucker moved, by leave of the Assembly, that there be laid before this House a copy of the Agreement made on the 6th instant between the Directors of the Melbourne and Hobson’s Bay United Railway Company and the Government for the purchase of the undertaking of the Company.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—

Melbourne and Hobson’s Bay United Railway—Return to above Order.

Discipline Act 1870—Additional regulation under.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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Mr. Longmore presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Land Act 1869—Order in Council—Regulations respecting the cutting of Timber.

Land Act 1869—Order in Council—Regulations as to Fee for re-License under Part II. of *The Land Act 1869.*

Land Act 1869—Order in Council—Regulations prescribing form of License to be issued to Rosser Prosser.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Wattle Bark—Report of Board of Enquiry.

Messrs. L. Stevenson and Sons—Report of a Board appointed to enquire into the facts connected with certain missing cases imported by per ship *Centurion.*

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

7. BALLARAT PUBLIC GARDENS LAND VESTING BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to vest a piece of land situate in the city of Ballarat reserved for public gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to vest a piece of Land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 23rd July instant.

8. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1874 EXPLANATION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loghlen moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill "*To explain the Instruments and Securities Statute 1874.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loghlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Sir Bryan O'Loghlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to explain the Instruments and Securities Statute 1874,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 23rd July instant.

9. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lalor moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Duties of Customs Act 1877.*"

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Lalor and Sir Bryan O'Loghlen do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Lalor then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Duties of Customs Act 1877,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 23rd July instant.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the first Order of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the fifth Order for to-day.

11. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Mr. Berry moved, That the Standing Orders of this House be suspended, in order to allow the Report to be received this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £900,000 be granted to Her Majesty on account, for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1878-9, viz. :—

Division No.		£
1.	Legislative Council	350
2.	Legislative Assembly	2,000
3.	The Library	650
4.	Refreshment Rooms	250
5.	Chief Secretary's Office	2,000
6.	Government Statist	750
7.	Police	43,000
8.	Penal Establishments and Gaols	12,000
9.	Medical	3,500
10.	Hospitals for the Insane	20,000
11.	Industrial and Reformatory Schools	12,500
12.	The Observatory	950
13.	Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery	3,000
14.	Government Botanist	450
15.	Shorthand Writer	650
16.	Victorian <i>Hansard</i>	425
17.	Agent-General	1,300
18.	Audit Office	1,800
19.	Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax Act	8,550

Division No.	£
20. Scab Prevention and Diseases in Stock	2,100
21. Aborigines	2,500
22. Friendly Societies	245
23. Grants	2,500
24. Miscellaneous	4,500
25 & 26. Education	125,000
27. Their Honors the Judges	550
28. Law Officers of the Crown	3,000
29. Crown Solicitor	1,650
30. Prothonotary	750
31. Master-in-Equity	550
32. Probate Administration and Lunacy	300
33. Court of Insolvency	650
34. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	4,500
35. Deputy Registrars	1,400
36. Sheriffs	4,000
37. Miscellaneous	897
38. County Courts, Courts of Mines, and General Sessions	5,000
39. Police Magistrates and Wardens	3,800
40. Clerks of Courts and Interpreters	3,500
41. Coroners	1,650
42. Miscellaneous	1,381
43. Treasurer	6,000
44. Stores and Transport	160
45. Government Printer	10,500
46. Advertising	1,250
47. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	325
48. Land Forces	20,000
49. Naval Forces	10,200
50. Transport and Marine Insurance	1,000
51. Charitable Institutions	18,000
52. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	3,000
53. Miscellaneous	5,820
54. Advance to Treasurer	100,000
55. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands	20,000
56. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves	2,000
57. Botanical Gardens	1,500
58. Agriculture, Forests, and Industries	2,500
59. Grants in Aid	3,500
60. Miscellaneous	6,162
61. Public Works Department	4,000
62. Melbourne Sewers and Water Supply	5,000
63. Geelong Water Supply	200
64. Miscellaneous	6,320
65. Works and Buildings	80,000
66. Road Works and Bridges	15,000
67. Customs	10,000
68. Ports and Harbors, &c.	6,000
69. Distilleries and Exeise	2,000
70. Powder Magazines	190
71. Marine Survey	500
72. Miscellaneous	7
73. Post and Telegraph Offices	50,000
74. Telegraph Lines	5,000
75. Mail Service	20,000
76. Miscellaneous	772
77, 78, 79. Railways	175,000
80. Mining Department	4,550
81. Victorian Water Supply	2,225
82. Goldfields Reservoirs	625
83. Miscellaneous	4,500
84. Local Waterworks	2,000
85. Prospecting for Goldfields	9,646
	£900,000

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

12. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Mr. Berry moved, That the Standing Orders be suspended, in order to allow the Report to be received this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Mr. James reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1878– and 9, the sum of £900,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria. And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

13. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL.—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. GOULBURN VALLEY RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time to-morrow.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk Assistant of the 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 Nine Hundred thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine,*” without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 16th July 1878.

16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 30th July instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 23rd July instant :—

“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”

18. GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount paid for Government advertisements in the *Argus*, *Australasian*, *Age*, *Leader*, *Daily Telegraph*, *Weekly Times*, *Herald*, and *Advocate* newspapers respectively, during the past financial year.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at sixteen minutes to ten o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

 WEDNESDAY, 17TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. THE COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—Mr. Speaker's Warrant appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications" was again laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1877—
 - Part I.—Blue Book.
 - Part II.—Population.
 - Part III.—Finance, &c.
 - Friendly Societies—Statistics for the Year 1876.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—
Education Act No. 447—Regulation under.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Woods presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Victorian Railways—Report of the Board of Land and Works for the Year 1877.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SUPREME COURT PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE BILL.—Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Practice and Procedure and to facilitate the proceedings of the Supreme Court.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. F. L. Smyth and Mr. Gaunson do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. F. L. Smyth then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Practice and Procedure and to facilitate the Proceedings of the Supreme Court,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 24th July instant.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to limit the number of Persons holding Offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Assembly of Victoria.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. Dwyer do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to limit the number of Persons holding Offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Assembly of Victoria,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 24th July instant.

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12. GOULBURN VALLEY RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole Assembly for reconsideration.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow ; Bill, as further amended, to be printed.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“ *Postage Rates—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 31st July instant ;

“ *William Monie’s Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”

“ *Legal Professions Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 24th July instant ;

“ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*” until Tuesday, 23rd July instant.

Assembly adjourned at twenty minutes past nine o’clock until to-morrow at four o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

THURSDAY, 18TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. THE COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—Mr. Speaker's Warrant appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications" was again laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN, *Message No. 2.*
Governor.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the 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 Nine hundred thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine."

Government House, Melbourne, 17th July 1878.
 Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—

Government Advertisements.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th July instant, for a return showing the amount paid for Government advertisements in the *Argus*, *Australasian*, *Age*, *Leader*, *Daily Telegraph*, *Weekly Times*, *Herald*, and *Advocate* newspapers respectively, during the past financial year.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented—

Schools and Classification of Teachers.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 11th July instant, for a return showing the number of schools, with an average attendance of less than thirty ; also the classification of teachers employed in them.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PETITIONS.—Mr. Dixon presented a Petition from certain representatives of Municipal districts and Railway leagues, praying the House would give effect to certain resolutions set out in the Petition. Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee on the purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway.
- Dr. Madden presented a Petition from J. Turnbull, an elector of Sandridge, praying the House would consent to the Government proposals for the purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company's lines, and also to their railway schemes in connecting the Gippsland Railway with Melbourne.
- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of the whole on the purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway.
6. OVEREND AND ROBB'S CONTRACT.—Mr. Langridge moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House copies of Messrs. Overend and Robb's contract for the supply and delivery of bluestone ashlar for the aqueduct at the Yan Yean, and of all papers connected with it ; also of the contract for the building of basin and aqueduct at Yan Yean, and all papers connected therewith.
- Debate ensued.
- Motion by leave withdrawn.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the first Order of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the second Order for to-day.

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8. GOULBURN VALLEY RAILWAY BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Woods, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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. Woods, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Woods moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

“*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway to be called ‘The Goulburn Valley Railway.’*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON’S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the following resolutions, viz. :—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this Committee, the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson’s Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878, between the Directors of the Company and the Government.

(2.) That the Government be authorized to take the necessary steps for carrying out the foregoing resolution—

having been read—On the motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve into the said Committee.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-three minutes past nine o’clock until Tuesday next at four o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Fergusson presented a Petition from William Witt, styling himself Chairman of a public meeting of the inhabitants of Nunawading, praying the House to aid the Government in passing into law the measures referred to in the Petition.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Macgregor presented a Petition from Robert Showers, styling himself Mayor of Fitzroy, praying the House would examine the scheme referred to in the Petition, and take evidence thereon, before sanctioning any further expenditure on future railways connecting with the metropolis.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Bent presented a Petition from certain residents in the Shire of Moorabbin, and interested in the neighbourhood of Cheltenham, praying that the purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway might be carried into effect.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Press and Private Inter-colonial Messages.—Order in Council.
Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums on—for the year ended 31st December 1877.
Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1877.
University of Melbourne.—Report of the Proceedings of the Council of the—during the year beginning on the 1st day of June 1877, and ending on the 31st day of May 1878.
Friendly Societies Act 1877 Regulations.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—
Education Act No. 447.—Amended Regulations under—to take effect from 1st August 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole of the following resolutions, viz. :—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this Committee, the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878 between the Directors of the Company and the Government.
(2.) That the Government be authorized to take the necessary steps for carrying out the foregoing resolution—having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Thursday 25th July instant :—
"Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
"Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,"
"Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"
"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee."

Assembly adjourned at eighteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Pearson presented a Petition from certain working men of Bunyip, in public meeting assembled, praying that the House would finally abolish the Legislative Council, or at least effectually draw its fangs; would impose without delay a progressive land tax; would re-adjust electoral districts, and abolish plural voting; would substitute leasing of Crown Lands instead of the present system, &c., would abolish duties on tea, sugar, coffee, rice, and maize; would abolish pensions and compensations, subject to certain conditions mentioned in the Petition; would have thrown open closed roads; would settle on a just basis the Mining on Private Property question; would make it penal for Members of Parliament to act as land agents; would put a stop to the acceptance of tinsel decorations called knighthoods; and would aid the Minister of Railways in his truly magnificent scheme of railway policy; and the Petitioners would for ever pray for a blessing on this House.
Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Mason presented a Petition from Thomas Wilkinson, formerly the pastoral licensee of the Langwarry run, praying this House, as and being the supreme court of justice in this country, would take his case, as set forth in the Petition, into careful consideration, and to order that right be done.
Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mining Statute 1865.—Order in Council giving authority to mine on certain reserved lands.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Sharpe moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Police Offences Statute.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Sharpe and Mr. F. L. Smyth do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Sharpe then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Police Offences Statute,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 31st July instant.
5. LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Sharpe moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Lunacy Statute.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Sharpe and Mr. F. L. Smyth do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Sharpe then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Lunacy Statute,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 7th August next.
6. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Imprisonment for Debt.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Gaunson and Mr. Dwyer do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Gaunson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Imprisonment for Debt,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 7th August next.
7. CUSTOMS LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McIntyre moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to Customs.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Kerferd do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McIntyre then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Customs,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 31st July instant.

8. **ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the admission of Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. O'Hea do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Admission of Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 31st July instant.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday 31st July instant :—
 " *Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,*"
 " *Officials in Parliament Act amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 " *William Monie's Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate—The question is—*
 That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of William Monie, for works in connection with Contract No. 117, Victorian Water Supply ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Mirams, Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Cook, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum,"
 " *Legal Professions Bill—Second reading.*"
10. **MR. THUREAU.**—Mr. R. Clark moved pursuant to *amended* notice, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1878 the sum of £600 towards defraying the cost of printing a mining report and diagrams, compiled by Mr. Thureau, on the latest discoveries on mining appliances.
 Debate ensued.
 Major W. C. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 7th August next—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **MINING BOARDS.**—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that Mining Boards be abolished.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Barr moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 7th August next—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY.**—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee of nine Members, five to form a quorum, be appointed to enquire into and report upon the manner in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is carrying out its Act.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **LANDS DEPARTMENT.**—Mr. Tucker moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the working and management of the Lands Department ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Andrew, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Graves, Mr. O'Hea, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Rees, and the Mover, three to form a quorum ; with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.
14. **WOODEND TO DAYLESFORD RAILWAY.**—Mr. Young moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) A plan of the middle line of Railway surveyed by Mr. Davies from Woodend to Daylesford.
 (2.) The estimated cost of the authorized and proposed line of railway.
 (3.) The amount of tonnage to and from Woodend during the past twelve months.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. **CORONERS' INQUESTS.**—Mr. Barr moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, coroners' inquests should be abolished ; and that, pending such an alteration of the law, coroners' juries should be paid at the same rate as Crown witnesses.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Gaunson moved, as an amendment, That the words " coroners' inquests should be abolished ; and that pending such an alteration of the law " be omitted, and that the following words be added after the the word " witnesses," viz., " in the Supreme Court, and that Crown witnesses in the police courts be paid at the same rate."
 Debate continued.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 The debate not being concluded at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until Wednesday 31st July instant.
16. **LICENSING ACT.**—Mr. Munro moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The number of proclamations issued under the 44th section of the Act No. 566 since the said Act came into operation.
 (2.) The names of the localities affected by such proclamations.
 (3.) The number of new licences issued in each locality under the said proclamations.
 (4.) The special circumstances which induced the action taken in each locality.
 (5.) The name of the responsible Minister who tendered the advice in each case on which a proclamation was issued.
 Objection being taken to this motion, it was directed to be placed amongst the ordinary motions.

17. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY UNITED RAILWAY PURCHASE.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole of the following resolutions, viz. :—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this Committee, the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878 between the Directors of the Company and the Government.
- (2.) That the Government be authorized to take the necessary steps for carrying out the foregoing resolution—having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

THURSDAY, 25TH JULY 1878.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to several resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received this day.

Mr. James reported from the Committee of the whole certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this Committee, the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878 between the Directors of the Company and the Government.
- (2.) That the Government be authorized to take the necessary steps for carrying out the foregoing resolution.

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 30th July instant.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-seven minutes past twelve o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Constitution Act, Schedule D.—Statement of Expenditure under—during the Year 1877–8.
Phylloxera Vastatrix.—Report of the Inspectors of Vineyards on the vineyards in the Geelong district.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Woods' Continuous Brake.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly during the last Session (4th April last) for a statement showing the total expenditure incurred by the Government in connection with Woods' continuous brake, giving detailed particulars of the amount of labor and material, the cost of each, and the names of the officers and timekeepers by whom the same are certified; also, the cost of its application to each carriage and to each engine respectively; and, further, that this House be informed whether any arrangement has been entered into between the Government and the proprietors of the patent for the future use of the brake, or if any arrangement is pending between them; and, if so, what.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Port Campbell.—Report on, by Captain Payne.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PETITION.—Mr. J. Gavan Duffy presented a Petition from certain persons, praying the House to give the matter referred to in the Petition favorable consideration.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. LAND OFFICES ECHUCA, ETC.—Mr. MacBain moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of officers employed in the land offices at Echuca, St. Arnaud, Stawell, Benalla, Hamilton, and Horsham respectively, their respective salaries, and the area of land selected during the years ending June 1876, 1877, and 1878, in and through such offices.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. OFFICERS OF RAILWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS.—Mr. L. L. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return of all officers of the Railway and Public Works departments respectively whose services have been dispensed with from the 1st July 1877 to the 30th June 1878, with salary, compensation, and relieving allowance in each case, the names of all those reappointed, and the annual savings by the reductions.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. SOUTH YARRA TO OAKLEIGH RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, by leave of the Assembly, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from South Yarra to Oakleigh.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Patterson do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from South Yarra to Oakleigh,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. JURIES STATUTE 1876 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Juries Statute 1876.*"
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Juries Statute 1876,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 6th August next.
8. TREASON AND FELONY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish Forfeitures for Treason and Felony and to otherwise amend the Law relating thereto.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to abolish Forfeitures for Treason and Felony and to otherwise amend the Law relating thereto,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 6th August next.
9. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. McIntyre moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate continued.
 Question—That this debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
 "*Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*"
 "*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*"
 "*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*"

Assembly adjourned at seventeen minutes past ten o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Parliamentary Crisis.—Copy of a further Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Patterson presented—
Public Works Loan Act No. 428.—Statement showing the works or purposes for or in respect of which moneys have been applied during the year 1877-8—under the.—
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Public Works Loan Act No. 428.—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies under—for the year ending 30th June 1879.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and considered in Committee of the whole Assembly on Tuesday, 6th August next.
Mr. Woods presented—
Officers of Railways and Public Works Departments.—Part Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 30th July instant, for a return of all officers of the Railway and Public Works Departments respectively whose services have been dispensed with from the 1st July 1877 to the 30th June 1878, with salary, compensation, and relieving allowance in each case, the names of all those reappointed, and the annual savings by the reductions.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. POSTAGE RATES.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the postage upon all letters delivered within the colony of Victoria shall be at the uniform rate of one penny.
(2.) That all newspapers printed and published in this colony should be post free, and that they should leave the colony by rail or steamer free—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Sir Bryan O'Loghlen, Bart., moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 14th August next—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 to be called 'The Goulburn Valley Railway,'*" without amendment.
(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
Legislative Council Chamber, President.
Melbourne, 31st July 1878.
5. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Sharpe moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Sharpe moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 14th August next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.—Sir Bryam O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until Wednesday, 7th August next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 7th August next ;
“ *Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 14th August next ;
“ *Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *William Monie's Contract—Motion Respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
“ *Legal Professions Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *Coroners' Inquests—Motion Respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 7th August next ;
“ *South Yarra to Oakleigh Railway Construction Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*” until after the consideration of the next Order for to-day.
8. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Langridge moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
“ *South Yarra to Oakleigh Railway Construction Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“ *Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*”
“ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

THURSDAY, 1ST AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN, <i>Governor.</i>	<i>Message No. 2.</i>
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The 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 authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway, to be called the ‘Goulburn Valley Railway.’”
Government Offices, Melbourne, 1st August 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mining Statute 1865.—Order in Council authorizing mining operations on excepted lands at Maldon.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gaunson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. WIMMERA ELECTION 1877.—Mr. Carter moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of the Deputy Returning Officers despatched from Horsham to conduct the election for the Wimmera in May 1877; the distance that each deputy had to travel, the amount of money paid to each deputy, and the total expense of the Wimmera election.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Richardson moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 6th August instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. SOUTH YARRA TO OAKLEIGH RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 6th August instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,”
“Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,”
“Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,” until Tuesday, 6th August instant;
“Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,” until Wednesday, 7th August instant;
“Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Supply—To be further considered in Committee,”
“Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,” until Tuesday, 6th August instant.

Assembly adjourned at a quarter-past Eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a return to the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Dundas, from which it appeared that John Sergeant, gentleman, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
3. NEW MEMBER.—John Sergeant, Esquire, was then introduced, and took the oath and his seat as Member of the Assembly.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—

Victorian Railways.—An Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under the Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account and Railway Loan Acts Nos. 331, 468, and 531.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly to-morrow.

Mr. Longmore presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Land Act 1869—Order in Council.—Regulations.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented—
Victorian Water Supply.—Statement showing the works and purposes for or in respect of which moneys, during the year ending 30th June 1878, have been applied out of the Loans Acts 428 and 531.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PETITION.—Mr. F. L. Smyth presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of Gippsland, praying this House to resolve on adopting the speediest and most energetic means for the completion of the Gippsland Railway, by a direct route from Oakleigh to Melbourne.

Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

6. GOODS TRAFFIC, INGLEWOOD AND BRIDGEWATER.—Mr. Billson moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. B. G. Davies, That there be laid before this House a return showing the weight of all wool, skins, hides, and tallow received and sent from the railway stations at Inglewood and Bridgewater respectively.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. WIDENING OF RAILWAYS BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the taking of land for widening Railways and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the taking of land for widening Railways and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 13th August instant.

8. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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—it was agreed that Mr. Francis, who had been prevented on Thursday last by indisposition from concluding his remarks, be allowed to conclude his remarks this day, and—

Further debate ensued.

Mr. Mackay moved, That this debate be now adjourned.

Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Thursday, 8th August instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. SOUTH YARRA TO OAKLEIGH RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time, Thursday, 8th August instant.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow ;

“ *Public Works Loan Act No. 428.—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, etc.—To be considered in Committee,*” until Tuesday, 13th August, instant ;

“ *Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*”

“ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at a half-past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Barr presented a Petition from J. H. Yates, styling himself Chairman of the Mining Board of the Mining District of Maryborough, in meeting assembled, praying the House would take the Petition into consideration.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Lyell presented a Petition from certain articulated clerks, praying this House would give favorable consideration to the subject referred to in the Petition, and on no account allow the Matriculation or any other examination to be dispensed with either wholly or partially as a preliminary to entering into articles of clerkship or admission, as the case may be.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. L. L. Smith presented a Memorial from certain tanners, fellmongers, boot manufacturers, saddle and harness makers, &c., &c., and their employés, praying the House would take the Memorial into earnest and favorable consideration, and continue the existing export duty on wattle bark.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Laurens moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Electoral Act 1865.
Debate ensued.
The debate on the above question not being concluded at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until Wednesday, 14th August instant.
4. MR. D. MCG. MUNRO.—Mr. Service moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bayles, That there be laid before this House copies of all papers connected with the selection of a piece of land by D. McG. Munro in the parish of Terrak.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. QUARTERS FOR CIVIL SERVANTS.—Mr. Mason moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return of all public moneys expended on quarters of civil servants during the last five years, excluding post and telegraph offices, and lighthouses; such return to specify the amount expended on each tenement respectively.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Red Gum.—Report from the Secretary for Agriculture on the Red Gum Forests of Gunbower and Barmah.
Leather and Leatherware.—Return of the Imports and Exports of Leather, Leatherware, Saddlery and Harness, Boots and Shoes, and Hides in each of the years 1870–77.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lalor moved, that this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Dixon moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate continued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—by leave withdrawn.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Lalor moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Lalor, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

- “ *Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second Reading,*”
- “ *Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second Reading,*”
- “ *Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 14th August instant ;
- “ *Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 21st August instant ;
- “ *William Monie’s Contract—Motion Respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 14th August instant ;
- “ *Legal Professions Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 21st August instant ;
- “ *Coroners’ Inquests—Motion Respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 14th August instant ;
- “ *Railway Loan Acts Nos. 331, 415, 468, 475, and 531, Estimate of Expenditure under, for 1878–9.—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at five minutes to twelve o’clock until to-morrow at four o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

THURSDAY, 8TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. D. M. Davies presented a Memorial from certain tanners, fellmongers, boot manufacturers, saddle and harness makers, &c., &c., and their employés, praying the House would take the Memorial into earnest and favorable consideration, and continue the existing export duty on wattle bark.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. L. L. Smith presented a Memorial from certain tanners, fellmongers, boot manufacturers, saddle and harness makers, &c., &c., and their employés, praying the House would take the Memorial into earnest and favorable consideration, and continue the existing duty on wattle bark.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. F. L. Smyth presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral district of North Gippsland, praying the House to protect bark strippers against threatened injury by refusing to assent to the export duty on bark.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Gaunson presented a Petition from the Council of the Shire of Stawell, under the Corporate Seal of the said shire, praying the House to determine against the continuance of the duty on the export of wattle bark.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MR. JOHN LYNCH.—Mr. Bird moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report of Mr. John Lynch, mining surveyor, concerning the advisability of purchasing certain dams at Browns, for the supply of the Boroughs of Smythesdale and Scarsdale with water.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Transfer of Land Statute*" with regard to Easements.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Transfer of Land Statute' with regard to Easements,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time, Tuesday, 13th August instant.
5. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Mirams moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 13th August instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the second Order of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the fourth Order for to-day.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 13th August instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. RAILWAY LOAN ACTS Nos. 331, 415, 468, 475, AND 531—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER, FOR 1878-9.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the Year ending 30th June 1879 under the Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account, and Railway Loan Acts, Nos. 331, 468, and 531 having been read—on the motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 13th August instant, again resolve into the said Committee.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 13th August instant:—

“*South Yarra to Oakleigh Railway Bill—Third reading,*”

“*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,*”

“*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at seventeen minutes past eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. MacBain presented a Petition from certain selectors and residents of Corack and surrounding districts, praying that some action be taken by Parliament to abate the rabbit nuisance, both on private property and Crown lands.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Bell presented a Memorial from certain tanners, fellmongers, boot manufacturers, saddle and harness makers, &c., &c., and their employés, praying the House would take the Memorial into earnest and favorable consideration, and continue the existing export duty on wattle bark.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Cope presented a Memorial from certain ratepayers, farmers, traders, and workmen of the town and district of Portland, praying the House to abolish the export duty on wattle bark, making the conditions for stripping as stringent as the necessities for the due conservation of the mimosa demands.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. MacBain moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the second and third Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the fourth Order for to-day.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Tuesday, 20th August instant—Bill as amended to be printed.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
 - "Railway Loan Acts Nos. 331, 415, 468, 475, and 531, Estimate of Expenditure under, for 1878-9.—To be further considered in Committee,"
 - "South Yarra to Oakleigh Railway Bill—Third reading,"
 - "Instruments and Securities Statute 1874 Explanation Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Public Works Loan Act No. 428.—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, &c.—To be considered in Committee,"
 - "Transfer of Land Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Railway Construction Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second Reading—Resumption of Debate,"
 - "Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"
 - "Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee."

Assembly adjourned at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Fergusson presented a Petition from Robert E. Lewis, of Malvern, solicitor, praying the House that the interests of the inhabitants of the Shire of Malvern might be considered, and that this House might afford such relief as this House might think best; and that, if necessary, the Petitioner might be heard and examined at the Bar of the House in support of his proposition, or before the Committee of this House sitting on the Bill, either by himself or his counsel as he might be advised.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled “*An Act to abolish Dower,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
Legislative Council Chamber, President.
Melbourne, 14th August 1878.
4. DOWER ABOLITION BILL.—Mr. Grant then moved, That the Bill intituled “*An Act to Abolish Dower,*” transmitted by the above Message, be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 21st August instant.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Press Messages.—Order in Council.
Inspector-General of Penal Establishments—Report of—on the working and management of Prisons in Great Britain and Ireland, Europe, and America.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Berry presented—
Officers of Railways and Public Works Departments.—Completion of Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 30th July last, for a Return of all officers of the Railway and Public Works departments respectively whose services have been dispensed with from the 1st July 1877 to the 30th June 1878, with salary, compensation, and retiring allowance in each case, the names of all those reappointed, and the annual savings by the reductions.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., presented—
Supreme Court.—Regula Generalis.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACT REPEAL BILL.—Mr. A. T. Clark moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1876.*”
Debate ensued.
The debate not being concluded at twenty-five minutes past six o’clock, stood adjourned until Wednesday, 21st August instant.
7. PORT PHILLIP—FIRST SURVEY AND SETTLEMENT OF.—Mr. O’Hea moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House copies of certain recently discovered historical records respecting the first survey and subsequent settlement at Port Phillip Heads formed under Lieut.-Governor Collins in 1803.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
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8. PROCLAMATIONS UNDER LICENSED PUBLICANS' ACT.—Mr. Munro moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- (1.) The number of proclamations issued under the 44th section of the Act No. 566 since the said Act came into operation and the date of each.
 - (2.) The names of the localities affected by such proclamations.
 - (3.) The number of new licenses issued in each locality under the said proclamations.
 - (4.) The special circumstances which induced the action taken in each locality.
 - (5.) The name of the responsible Minister who tendered the advice in each case on which a proclamation was issued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. RAILWAY LOAN ACTS NOS. 331, 415, 468, 475, AND 531, ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE UNDER FOR 1878–9.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879 under the Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account and Railway Loan Acts Nos. 331, 468, and 531, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to several resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
10. SOUTH YARRA TO OAKLEIGH RAILWAY BILL.—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. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a third time.
Question—That the Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Woods moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
- “ An Act to authorise the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from South Yarra to Oakleigh.”*
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
11. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1877 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—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a third time.
Question—That the Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Woods moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
- “ An Act to amend ‘The Railway Construction Act 1877,’ so far as it relates to the construction of the Daylesford Railway.”*
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
12. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1874 EXPLANATION BILL.—Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Sir B. O’Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Sir B. O’Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had 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 Bryan O’Loughlen, read a third time and *passed*.
Sir Bryan O’Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
- “ An Act to explain the Instruments and Securities Act 1864.”*
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

- “ *Postage Rates—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 28th August, instant ;
- “ *Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *William Monie’s Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Coroners’ Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 21st August instant ;
- “ *Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-four minutes past ten o’clock until four o’clock to-morrow.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

THURSDAY, 15TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,

*Message No. 4.**Governor.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Revenue and Further Estimates of Expenditure for 1878–9, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government House,

Melbourne, 15th August 1878.

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

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Industrial and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Inspector of—on the working and management of those Institutions in Great Britain and Ireland, and America.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Longmore presented—

Land Offices—Echuca, &c.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 30th July last, for a Return showing the number of officers employed in the land offices at Echuca, St. Arnaud, Stawell, Benalla, Hamilton, and Horsham respectively, their respective salaries, and the area of land selected during the years ending June 1876, 1877, and 1878, in and through such offices.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented—

Public Works Loan Act of 1872—Water Supply.—An Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur, during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act 428, Second Schedule.

The Railway Loan Act 1876, No. 531.—An Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act No. 531, Second Schedule.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of whole Assembly, Tuesday, 20th August instant.

4. TELEGRAPH MESSAGES.—Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of telegraph messages issued in Melbourne and the suburbs after two o'clock p.m. on each Saturday during the last eight weeks.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. RAILWAY LOAN ACTS NOS. 331, 415, 468, 475, AND 531—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878–9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole certain resolutions, which were read, and are as follow:—

(14th August 1878.)

Resolved—That the following Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the Year ending 30th June 1879, under the following Acts respectively, be agreed to by the Committee, viz. :—

RAILWAY LOAN LIQUIDATION AND CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, ACT 35 VICT. NO. 415.

	£	s.	d.
For the Construction of the three Lines authorized under Act No. 415	...	3,250	0 0

RAILWAY LOAN LIQUIDATION AND CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, ACT 37 VICT. NO. 475.

For the Construction of the eight Lines authorized under Act No. 475	...	54,000	0 0
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RAILWAY LOAN ACT, 37 VICT. NO. 468.

Schedule 2.—Item 1.

For the Construction of the eight Lines authorized under Act No. 475	...	1,300	0 0
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RAILWAY LOAN ACT, 32 VICT. NO. 331.

Schedule 2.—Item 1.

For the Construction of the North-Eastern Line	2,000	0	0
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RAILWAY LOAN ACT, 39 VICT. NO. 531.

Schedule 2.—Item 1.

For the Construction of the seven Lines authorized under Act 41 Vict. No. 580	650,000	0	0
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RAILWAY LOAN ACT, 39 VICT. NO. 531.

Schedule 2.—Item 2.

For the Construction of Railway Bridges and other Works connected with Railway Extension	10,400	0	0
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And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday 20th August instant, again resolve into the said Committee.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 20th August instant :—

“ *Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*”

“ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,*”

“ *Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at three minutes past eight o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees of—with
the Reports of the Sectional Committees for 1877, and a Statement of Income and
Expenditure for the financial year 1876-7.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Longmore presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
The Land Act 1869—Report of the Proceedings taken under the provisions of—during the
Year ending 31st December 1877.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Longmore presented—
Mr. D. McG. Munro.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th August
instant, for copies of all papers connected with the selection of a piece of land by D. McG.
Munro in the parish of Terrak.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Chief Inspector of Mines—Report of the—to the Honorable the Minister of Mines for the
Year 1877.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented—
Mr. John Lynch—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th August instant,
for a copy of the Report of Mr. John Lynch, mining surveyor, concerning the advisability
of purchasing certain dams at Browns, for the supply of the boroughs of Smythesdale and
Scarsdale with water.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Woodend to Daylesford Railway—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated
24th July last, for a Return showing—
(1.) A plan of the middle line of railway, surveyed by Mr. Davies, from Woodend to
Daylesford.
(2.) The estimated cost of the authorized and proposed line of railway.
(3.) The amount of tonnage to and from Woodend during the past twelve months.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the following Order of the Day was
read and discharged :—
“*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill*”—Consideration of Report.
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the second
Order be postponed until after the consideration of the fourth Order for to-day.
6. RAILWAY LOAN ACT NO. 531—SECOND SCHEDULE—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—The
Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of an Estimate of
Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th
June 1879 under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, having been read—on the motion of Mr. Woods,
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the
consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and
that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve into the said Committee,
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7. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Barr moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

"Public Works Loan Act 1872—Second Schedule—Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be considered in Committee,"

"Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"

"Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,"

"Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"

"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee."

Assembly adjourned at five minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS.—Mr. Patterson moved, by leave of the Assembly, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the contracts for erection of the Supreme Court Buildings; such Committee to consist of Mr. Richardson, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Zox, Mr. Orr, Mr. MacBain, Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Bosisto, and Mr. Dixon, five to form a quorum; with power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days when the House does not meet.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Patterson presented—
Telegraph Messages.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 15th August instant, for a return showing the number of telegraph messages issued in Melbourne and the suburbs after two o'clock p.m. on each Saturday during the last eight weeks.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. INSTRUMENTS AND SECURITIES STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Dow moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Instruments and Securities Statute 1864*," by authorizing liens to be granted upon growing crops.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Dow, and Mr. F. L. Smyth do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Dow then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend 'The Instruments and Securities Statute 1864,' by authorizing Liens to be granted upon Growing Crops*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 29th August instant.
5. LEGAL PROFESSIONS BILL.—Mr. Dwyer moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Dwyer moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James 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, 4th September next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 South Yarra to Oakleigh*," without amendment.
(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
Legislative Council Chamber, Melbourne, August 1878. President.
- MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to explain 'The Instruments and Securities Statute 1864,'*" without amendment.
(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
Legislative Council Chamber, Melbourne, 21st August 1878. President.
7. AGRICULTURAL VOTE.—Mr. Macgregor moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Fergusson, That there be laid before this House a Schedule showing the distribution of last year's Agricultural Vote, with the names of the societies, and the amount each society got.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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8. COMPENSATION TO DISCHARGED OFFICERS.—Mr. Gillies moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Service, That there be laid before this House a return showing all claims for compensation (remaining undealt with on 20th August instant) which have been made by public servants discharged from the various departments, giving the names of the claimants and the dates of the claims.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. PAPER.—Mr. Berry presented—
Compensation to Discharged Officers.—Part return to the above Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

10. LAND, HOTHAM.—Mr. Laurens moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount derived by the Government from the sale of land in the town of Hotham, marked in the first and every succeeding plan as proposed reserves for public squares and gardens, prior and up to 1872; and also, the area of land taken for State school purposes from such proposed reserves.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

- “ *Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 28th August instant;
- “ *Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 4th September next;
- “ *Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 28th August instant;
- “ *Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 4th September next;
- “ *William Monie's Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “ *Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 28th August instant.

And the several Orders of the Day, Government Business, until after the consideration of the 17th Notice of Motion on the paper for to-day.

12. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members, namely :—Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Fincham, Mr. Graves, Mr. Andrew, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, be the Committee to enquire into and report upon the manner in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is carrying out its Act.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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.

Major W. C. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. RESCINDING OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Sessional Order of the Assembly as fixes four o'clock as the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, be read and rescinded, and that the hour of meeting on such days be two o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

- “ *Public Works Loan Act 1872—Second Schedule—Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Railway Loan Act No. 531—Second Schedule—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at nine minutes to eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

THURSDAY, 22ND AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MINERAL OILS IMPORTATION.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Lalor, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to the importation of mineral oils, and for other purposes.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Dwyer moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd August instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 27th August instant :—
 - "Public Works Loan Act 1872—Second Schedule—Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be considered in Committee,"
 - "Railway Loan Act No. 531—Second Schedule—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be further considered in Committee,"
 - "Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,"
 - "Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"
 - "Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 - "Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee."

Assembly adjourned at twenty minutes past ten o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson, Chairman of this Committee, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—
Public Accounts—Regulation respecting.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Goods Traffic, Inglewood and Bridgewater.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 6th August instant, for a return showing the weight of all wool, skins, hides, and tallow received and sent from the railway stations at Inglewood and Bridgewater respectively.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. GENERAL ELECTION AND CENSUS—COST.—Mr. Cooper moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the cost of the last general election, and the cost of taking the last census respectively.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. O'Hea moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
"Mineral Oils Importation—Resolutions to be considered in Committee."
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
"Public Works Loan Act 1872—Second Schedule—Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be considered in Committee,"
"Railway Loan Act No. 531—Second Schedule—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be further considered in Committee,"
"Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee,"
"Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"
"Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"
"Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"
"Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee."

Assembly adjourned at ten minutes to eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

 WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LIEN UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to permit liens to be given upon growing crops.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir B. O'Loughlen and Mr. Dow do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir B. O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to permit liens to be given upon growing crops,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time, Tuesday, 3rd September next.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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.
 The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past four o'clock,
 On the motion of Mr. Grant, the Assembly ordered the debate to be continued after the consideration of the General Business on the paper for to-day.
4. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Langridge moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the Petition for the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill, which was presented on the second day of August 1876, and the order of leave for bringing in the said Bill, which was made on the fourth day of April last, in the last session of Parliament, be now read; and that thereupon the said Bill be read a first and second time, and that the third reading be an Order of the Day for Wednesday, the 4th September next.
 The said Orders having been read—Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, General Business, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until Wednesday, 4th September next.
6. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND 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. Service moved, as an amendment, that all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words "in the opinion of this House a reform of the Constitution is imperatively demanded for the purpose of preventing dead-locks in connection with annual Appropriation Bills, and for providing against the recurrence of the evils arising out of a conflict of opinion between the two Houses of Parliament in matters of general legislation.
 (2.) "That the proposal in the Bill now before the House enabling a single branch of the Legislature to impose burdens on the people and to expend the public revenue without any check whatever is contrary to the principles of the British Constitution, and would, in its operation, prove disastrous to the best interests of the country.
 (3.) "That the most satisfactory way of dealing with a subject of such vital importance as the amendment of the Constitution, and the way most likely to result in a comprehensive and permanent measure of reform, is to refer the question to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report."

Debate continued.

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Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
Assembly divided.

Ayes, 59.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Laurens,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. Casey,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Dow,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Wright.

Tellers.

Mr. Kernot,	Mr. A. T. Clark,
Mr. Lalor,	Mr. Mirams.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bayles,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bird,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Service,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Kerferd,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Mackay,	Mr. Lyell.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

- “ *Public Works Loan Act 1872—Second Schedule—Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be considered in Committee.*”
- “ *Railway Loan Act No. 531—Second Schedule—Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9.—To be further considered in Committee.*”
- “ *Public Works Loan Act No. 428—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, Etc.—To be considered in Committee.*”
- “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee.*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at twenty-six minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 29TH AUGUST 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by Mr. Berry, and the same were read, and are as follow:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor. *Message No. 5.*

In accordance with the requirements of the 57th section of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an appropriation be made out of the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the holding of Victorian Exhibitions.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 29th August 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole on Tuesday, 3rd September next.

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor. *Message No. 6.*

In accordance with the requirements of the 57th section 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 for other purposes, and that the moneys specified in such Bill be appropriated in accordance with the provisions thereof.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 29th August 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole, Tuesday, 3rd September next.

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor. *Message No. 7.*

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 South Yarra to Oakleigh.”
“An Act to explain ‘The Instruments and Securities Statute 1864.’”
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th August 1878.
3. PAPER.—Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1877–8.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson, Chairman of this Committee, having moved for, and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Mr. Gaunson moved, That power be given to the above Committee to report from day to day the Evidence taken before the Committee.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until after the consideration of the first Notice of Motion, General Business, on the paper for to-day.
6. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson moved, pursuant to notice, That leave be given to the Supreme Court Buildings Committee to report from day to day the Evidence taken before the Committee.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT.—Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Lalor, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider amendments of “The Duties of Customs Act 1877.”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the first Order of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the seventh Order for to-day.
9. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872, SECOND SCHEDULE, WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act No. 428, Second Schedule, having been read—on the motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday, 3rd September next.
10. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT No. 531, SECOND SCHEDULE—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday, 3rd September next.
11. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT No. 428.—ESTIMATE OF SALARIES, WAGES, ETC.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Estimate of Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies, under Act No. 428, "*The Public Works Loan Account 1872*," for the Year ending 30th June 1879, having been read—on the motion of Mr. Patterson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 3rd September next.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders, five and six, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until after the consideration of the seventh Order for to-day.
13. **SUPPLY.**—The Order of the Day for going into Committee of Supply having been read, Mr. Berry moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Gaunson moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words "in the opinion of this House the regulation affecting to restrain lessees under '*The Land Act 1869*' from dealing with their leases is illegal."
Debate ensued.
14. **ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.**—The Clerk of the Assembly having, at the Table, on the reassembling of the House after the refreshment hour, informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unable to resume the Chair, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy Speaker.
15. **SUPPLY.**—Debate on the above motion and amendment continued.
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Question—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve itself into the Committee of Supply—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 3rd September next, again resolve into the said Committee.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 3rd September next :—
" *Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"
" *Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"
" *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"
" *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading.*"

Assembly adjourned at twelve minutes past nine o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson, Chairman, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Lunatic Asylums—Return of the Inspector of—of the number of patients visited and the number of miles travelled by him during the six months ending 30th June 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Berry presented—
Compensation to Discharged Officers.—Completion of Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 21st August last, for a Return showing all claims for compensation (remaining undealt with on 20th August last) which have been made by public servants discharged from the various departments, giving the names of the claimants and the dates of the claims.
Wimmera Election, 1877.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 1st August last, for a Return showing the names of the Deputy Returning Officers despatched from Horsham to conduct the election for the Wimmera in May 1877; the distance that each deputy had to travel, the amount of money paid to each deputy, and the total expense of the Wimmera election.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Berry presented—
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th June 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Reports of the—for the Quarter ended 30th June 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Victorian Railways—Acts Nos. 531, 580, 603, 604—Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under the Railway Loan Act, No. 531, and the Railway Construction Acts Nos. 580, 603, and 604.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole to-morrow.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole of amendments of "*The Duties of Customs Act 1877*," having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to several resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
5. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 5 having been read—on the motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
6. LOANS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 6, having been read—on the motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

7. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872, SECOND SCHEDULE (WATER SUPPLY)—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

(29th August 1878.)

Resolved—That the following Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the Year ending 30th June 1879 under Act No. 428, Second Schedule, be agreed to by the Committee, viz.:—

ITEM 5.—GEELONG.

Sundry Works and Material, Wages, &c., in connection with the Extension of the Geelong Works	£ s. d. 97 12 9
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And the said resolution was read a second time, and agreed to by the Assembly.

8. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 531, SECOND SCHEDULE.—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

(29th August 1878.)

Resolved—That the following estimate of expenditure, which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, be agreed to by the Committee, viz.:—

ITEM 4.—FOR THE COMPLETION OR CONSTRUCTION OF WORKS FOR SUPPLYING WATER, ETC.

Interest on the Bendigo Waterworks Debentures	£ s. d. 3,600 0 0
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ITEM 5.—FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE COLIBAN AND GEELONG WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES.

Sundry Works, Material, Wages, &c., in connection with Extensions of the Coliban and Geelong Works	£ s. d. 5,200 0 0
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And the said several resolutions were read a second time, and agreed to by the Assembly.

9. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT, NO. 428—ESTIMATE OF SALARIES, WAGES, ETC., FOR 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

(29th August 1878.)

Resolved—That the following sums be issued and applied for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for the year ending 30th June 1879 from "The Public Works Loan Account 1872," under Act No. 428, viz.:—

<i>Supreme Court Buildings.</i>		£ s. d.
Salaries and Wages	2,600	0 0
Stores, Travelling Expenses, and incidentals	100	0 0

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

Ordered—That Mr. Patterson and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

10. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACCOUNT APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Patterson then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the issue and expenditure of certain sums from 'The Public Works Loan Account 1872' for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for the service of the year ending the "thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

11. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

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

12. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend 'The Railway Construction Act 1877' so far as it relates to the "construction of the Daylesford Railway," without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 3rd September 1878.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

"Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"
 "Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,"
 "Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 "Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 "Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 "Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
 "Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
 "Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,"
 "Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"
 "Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading."

Assembly adjourned at eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Brophy presented a Petition from W. L. Jones, praying the House would give the prayer of the Petitioner most favorable consideration, and would pass a law for the better management of the goldfields.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS—ACTS NOS. 531, 580, 603, 604—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879 under the Railway Loan Act No. 531 and the Railway Construction Acts Nos. 580, 603, and 604, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole certain resolutions, which were read, and are as follow :—
(3rd September 1878.)
Resolved—
 1. That in the opinion of this Committee it is desirable to amend “ *The Duties of Customs Act 1877* ” in regard to the import duty on sheep and timber respectively; the export duty on bark and redgum timber respectively; the importation of “ hosiery ” (except stockings, socks, and other machine or hand knit covering for the feet or legs) upon which a rate of duty of 20 per cent. *ad valorem* shall be charged; the importation of mineral oils; and the importation and exportation of goods over the border by land from and to the adjacent colonies.
 2. That a Bill be brought in to carry out the above resolution.And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Mr. Lalor and Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolutions.
5. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—
(3rd September 1878.)
Resolved—That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the holding of Victorian exhibitions.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.
6. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for the holding of Victorian Exhibitions,* ” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. LOANS.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
(3rd September 1878.)
Resolved—That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for Railways and for other purposes, and that the moneys specified in such Bill be appropriated in accordance with the provisions thereof.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

8. **LOANS BILL.**—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways, and for other purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACCOUNT APPLICATION BILL.**—Mr. Patterson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Patterson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Patterson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman or Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Patterson, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Patterson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—
“*An Act to sanction the issue and expenditure of certain sums from ‘The Public Works ‘Loan Account 1872’ for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for the service of the ‘year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL (2).**—Mr. Lalor brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend ‘The Duties of Customs Act 1877,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the House will, this day, again resolve into the said Committee.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—
“*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Transfer of Lands Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*” until after the consideration of the General Business on the paper for to-day;
“*Rosstown Junction Railway Bill—Third reading,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant.
13. **LEGAL PROFESSIONS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. Dwyer moved, That this Bill be now read a third time
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Dwyer moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—
“*An Act to unite the branches of the Legal Profession in Victoria.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
14. **ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend “*The Electoral Act 1865,*”—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Laurens and Mr. Williams do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Laurens then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend ‘The Electoral Act 1865,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 18th September instant.
15. **ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION 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—

16. **PETITION.**—Mr. Gavan Duffy presented a Petition from the Council of the Law Institute of Victoria, praying the House would give favorable consideration to the subject-matter of the Petition, and on no account allow the matriculation or any other examination to be dispensed with, either wholly or partially, as a preliminary to entering into articles of clerkship or admission, as the case may be. Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
17. **ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.**—Debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—resumed.
The debate on this question, not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until Wednesday, 11th September instant.
18. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve into the said Committee.
19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—
- “*Postage Rates — Motion respecting — Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 - “*Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant;
 - “*Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 - “*Instruments and Securities Statute 1864 Amendment Bill (No. 2)—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant;
 - “*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 - “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*”
 - “*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant;
 - “*Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 - “*Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant;
 - “*Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 - “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*William Monie's Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
 - “*Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 11th September instant;
 - “*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Transfer of Land Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Dower Abolition Bill—Second Reading,*”
 - “*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-five minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY BUFFER SPRINGS.—Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the cost to the Government of the last railway buffer springs landed in Melbourne from England, including duty and all other charges.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.—ACTS Nos. 531, 580, 603, 604—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878–9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

(4th September 1878.)

Resolved—

That the following Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under The Railway Loan Act No. 531, The Railway Construction Acts Nos. 580, 603, and 604, be agreed to by the Committee, viz. :—

ACT NO. 531, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1.

	£	s.	d.
For the Construction of the Goulburn Valley Railway authorized by Act 42 Vict. No. 603. Estimated length 48 miles 18 chains 23 links, at £5,750 per mile—£277,310. Estimated expenditure to 30th June 1879, say one-half of the total cost	...	...	...
	138,655	0	0

NOTE.—This expenditure to form a portion of the item of £650,000 authorized to be expended under the above Loan Act for the purposes of the Railway Construction Act 41 Vict. No. 580.

ACT NO. 531, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1.

For the Construction of a Line of Railway from South Yarra to Oakleigh, authorized by Act 42 Vict. No. 604. Estimated length 6 miles 72 chains, at £25,000 per mile. Estimated Expenditure	172,500	0	0
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NOTE.—This expenditure to form a portion of the item of £650,000 authorized to be expended under the above Act 531 for the purposes of the Construction Act 580. To be recouped from the proceeds of the next Loan raised for purposes of Railway Construction.

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

4. TRANSFER OF LANDS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Sir B. O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Sir B. O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered that the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday, the 10th September instant.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
 - “*Victorian Exhibitions Bill—Second reading,*” until after the consideration of the 9th Order for to-day;
 - “*Loans Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, the 10th September instant;
 - “*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*” until after the consideration of the 9th Order for to-day;
 - “*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, the 10th September instant.

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6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 10th September instant.

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 10th September instant, again resolve into the said Committee.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 10th September instant:—

“*Victorian Exhibitions Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Dover Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading.*”

Assembly adjourned at five minutes to eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN, Message No. 8.
Governor.

The 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 amend ‘The Railway Construction Act 1877,’ so far as it relates to the construction of the Daylesford Railway.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th September 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Report read and ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
5. COMPLAINT—“THE AGE” NEWSPAPER.—Complaint being made to the House of an article in a printed newspaper, entitled *The Age*, dated Friday, 6th September 1878, “printed and published by the proprietors, David Syme and Co., at *The Age* Office, Elizabeth street, Melbourne,” as being a scandalous breach of the privileges of the House, the said paper was delivered in and the paragraph complained of was read.
Mr. Gaunson moved, That the article contained in *The Age* of Friday last, in reference to Mr. Gaunson, is a scandalous breach of the privileges of this House.
Debate ensued.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to sanction the issue and expenditure of certain sums from ‘The Public Works ‘Loan Account 1872’ for Salaries Wages and Contingencies for the service of the year ending ‘the 30th day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine,’*” without amendment.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 10th September 1878.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Langridge moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
8. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—

General Election and Census—Cost.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 27th August last, for a return showing the cost of the last general election, and the cost of taking the last census respectively.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Patterson presented—
Quarters for Civil Servants.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th August last, for a return of all public moneys expended on quarters of civil servants during the last five years, excluding post and telegraph offices, and lighthouses; such return to specify the amount expended on each tenement respectively.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Woods presented—
Railway Buffer Springs.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 5th September instant, for a return showing the cost to the Government of the last railway buffer springs landed in Melbourne from England, including duty and all other charges.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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9. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—OFFICERS.—Mr. Cope moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a list of all the persons employed in the professional and clerical branch of the Public Works Department on the 1st day of January last; also, a list of all the Inspectors of Works and their superintending officers employed at that date, distinguishing the classified and scheduled officers from the unclassified, the length of time they have been in the service, and the works they are now employed upon; also, all the persons who have been and are now employed in the different branches of the Department since that date, and the works upon which they are now engaged, and the age of each; also, a list of all the discharged servants on the 9th of January and subsequently in each branch of the Department and the length of service of each, distinguishing those who have received compensation from those who have not; also, the amounts of such compensation, their length of service, and whether any have been reinstated, and the age of each.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. FISHERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lalor moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Fisheries Act 1873.*"
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That Mr. Lalor and Mr. F. L. Smyth do prepare and bring in the Bill.
- Mr. Lalor then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Fisheries Act 1873,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 17th September instant.
11. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1878–9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read, and are as follow :—
- Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878–9 for the several services hereunder specified, being :—
1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

(15th August 1878).

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
DIVISION No. 1.								
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.								
1	The President ... ..	...	...	...	1,000	
1	The Chairman of Committees ... ..	...	...	...	400	
2			Total Division No. 1 ... ..	...	...	...	1,400	
			The sum of ... ..	...	...	...	...	1,050

(5th September 1878).

				DIVISION No. 2.				
				LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.				
				Subdivision No. 1.				
1	...	...	The Speaker ... ..	...	...	...	1,000	
1	...	...	The Chairman of Committees ... ..	...	...	...	800	
1	1	1	The Clerk of the Assembly ... ..	...	...	...	1,000	
1	1	1	The Clerk Assistant ... ..	...	...	...	800	
1	...	2	Serjeant-at-Arms ... ..	...	...	...	450	
1	2	...	Clerk and Accountant	500	16 13 4	600	600	
1	2	...	Clerk ... ..	...	" "	"	525	
1	3	...	Clerk	375	18 6 8	485	440	
1	4	...	Clerk	200	25 0 0	350	350	
1	4	...	Reader ... ..	...	" "	"	350	
1	...	3	Assistant Reader ... ..	...	...	...	200	
1	...	3	Housekeeper* ... ..	...	...	...	250	
8	...	3	Doorkeepers, at per week ... ..	...	...	72/	1,502	
4	...	...	Doorkeepers, during Session, at per week ... ..	...	...	60/	312	
1	...	...	Engineer ... ..	...	...	...	200	
1	...	...	Engineer's Assistant, at per week ... ..	...	...	10/	27	
26			SALARIES ... ..	...	...	...	8,806	
				Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.				
				Allowances to Witnesses attending Select Committees			200	
				Fuel, Light, and Water			500	
				Travelling Expenses of Select Committees			100	
				Stores, Stationery, &c., and Incidental Expenses			300	
							1,100	
				Total Division No. 2			9,906	
				The sum of			7,906	

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 3. THE LIBRARY. Subdivision No. 1.			Salary of Office.			£	£
						Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
						£	£ s. d.	£		
1	2	...	The Librarian ... ..	...	500	16 13 4	600	600	
1	3	...	Clerk ... ..	...	375	18 6 8	485	485	
1	5	...	Clerk ... ..	...	80	16 13 4	180	122	
3	...	3	Messengers ... ..	...	30/	...	72/	454	
6								1,661		
			Subdivision No. 2—CONTINGENCIES.							
			Books and Bookbinding ... ..	...	...	...	...	500	
			Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Stationery, Incidental Expenses, Postage	...	...	...	...	400	
			Stamps, and allowance to Charwoman ... ..	...	...	...	...	900	
			Total Division No. 3 ... ..	...	...	...	...	2,561	
			The sum of ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1,911
			DIVISION No. 4. REFRESHMENT ROOMS.							
			Allowance to Contractor ... ..	...	...	...	...	625	
			Fuel, Light, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	...	...	...	...	300	
			Total Division No. 4. ... ..	...	...	...	...	925	
			The sum of ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	675
			DIVISION No. 5. CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE. Subdivision No. 1.							
1	1	1	Under Secretary ... ..	...	...	...	...	1,000	
2	2	...	Clerks ... ..	...	500	16 13 4	600	1,134	
4	3	...	Clerks (Two to 30th September only)	...	375	18 6 8	485	1,185		
5*	4	...	Clerks ... ..	...	200	25 0 0	350	1,150	
4	5	...	Clerks ... ..	...	80	16 13 4	180	329	
1	...	3	Despatch Clerk and Keeper of Govern- ment Offices † ... ..	...	...	...	...	250	
2	...	3	Messengers ... ..	...	...	...	...	205	
1	...	3	Housekeeper † ... ..	...	...	...	...	50	
20 †								5,303		
			Subdivision No. 2—CONTINGENCIES.							
			Clerical Assistance, including Index to <i>Government Gazette</i>...	...	...	...	...	300	
			Orderly's Allowance ... ..	...	...	...	...	36	
			Stores and Stationery ... ..	...	...	...	...	350	
			Telegrams, including arrears ... ..	...	...	...	...	1,600	
			Fuel, Light, || Water, and Incidentals ... ..	...	...	...	...	525	
								2,811		
			Total Division No. 5 ... ..	...	...	...	...	8,114	
			The sum of ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	6,114

* One Clerk from 1st January 1879.—† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—‡ This increase is apparent only, and arises from the necessity for providing for broken periods. There will be an actual reduction of two.—|| To provide for all the gas consumed in the building and lamps on terrace.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 6. GOVERNMENT STATIST.	Salary of Office.			£	£	
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.			
			Subdivision No. 1.	£	£ s. d.	£			
1	1	...	Government Statist ...	...	...	...	675	
1	3	...	Clerk ...	375	18 6 8	485	485		
1	4	...	Clerk, including arrears ...	200	...	350	230		
2	5	...	Clerks ...	80	16 13 4	180	277		
1	...	...	Clerk ...	...	...	...	250	
1	...	3	Despatch Clerk and Messenger*	...	...	...	120	
7			SALARIES ...	...	...	...	2,037	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.									
			Collecting and Compiling Agricultural and other Statistics ...	...	...	...	750	
			Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidentals ...	...	...	...	100	
			Clerical Assistance ...	...	...	...	150	
			* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.				1,000		
			Total Division No. 6 ...	...	...	...	3,037	
			The sum of ...	...	...	...	...	2,287

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

DIVISION No. 7.							
POLICE.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.							
1	...	...	Chief Commissioner ...	...	...	...	900
1	2	...	Clerk ...	500	16 13 4	600	600
1	3	...	Accountant ...	375	18 6 8	485	476
1	3	...	Clerk ...	...	...	...	485
3	4	...	Clerks ...	200	25 0 0	350	925
3	5	...	Clerks ...	80	16 13 4	180	382
10							3,768
Subdivision No. 2.							
GENERAL POLICE.							
1	...	...	Assistant Commissioner* ...	...	...	...	500
10	...	...	Superintendents, including one for six months only, and one for four months only *	...	...	375	3,313
8	...	...	Inspectors*—				
			Four ...	...	...	300	1,200
			Four ...	...	...	275	1,100
6	...	...	Sub-Inspectors*...	...	...	255	1,530
80	...	...	Sergeants, at per diem*—				
			Thirty-nine ...	...	...	9/6	} 13,886† §
			Forty-one ...	...	...	8/6	
1000	...	...	Constables, at per diem*—				
			One hundred and twenty-five	...	...	8/	} 140,325 † §
			Eight hundred and seventy-five	6/6	||	7/6	
1	...	...	Farrier, at per diem* ...	...	...	13/6	} 247
				...	...	11/6	
	...	...	Cooks and Female Searchers ...	20	...	40	750
							162,851

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Includes £25 to Sergeant acting as Storekeeper, and additional pay of 1s. per diem to Sergeant acting as Drill Instructor.—‡ Includes additional pay at 1s. each per diem to two Constables employed as Horsebreakers, one as Carpenter, and one as Assistant Farrier.—§ Includes 6d. per diem additional pay after 10 years' service.—|| Applies to men of less than two years' service, say 150.
The pay of two sergeants and twelve constables on duty at other departments and at private establishments will be repaid to the Treasury.

POLICE—continued.										£	£
Subdivision No. 3.											
DETECTIVE POLICE.											
Allowance to Officer in charge of Detectives										100	
Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.							£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.			Maximum				
			£	£	s.	d.	£				
31*	Detectives, at per diem—								
			Six	...	...	...	...	15/	} 7,027†§		
			Six	...	...	...	...	13/			
			Twelve	...	...	...	...	12/			
			Seven	...	...	...	...	9/			
SALARIES										7,127	
										173,746	
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.											
GENERAL POLICE.											
Allowance to Officers in lieu of Grooms, at £40 per annum										560	
Forage										14,000	
Travelling Expenses, including those of Police Crown Witnesses										3,400	
Stores, including requisites for all Police Stations										4,100	
Fuel, Light, and Water										4,600	
Shoeing and Farriery										1,100	
Purchase of Horses										1,400	
Transport of Prisoners										3,400	
Burial of Destitute Persons										1,700	
Maintenance of Prisoners confined in Lockups proclaimed as Gaols, and Provisions for Prisoners										1,100	
Medical Expenses of Police, and to reimburse Members of the Force for Clothing destroyed in the execution of their duty										300	
Incidental Expenses, Repairs of Saddlery, &c.										2,000	
* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† The pay of one detective will be repaid to Treasury by Postal Department.—§ Includes 6d. per diem additional pay after 10 years' service.										37,660	
Total Division No. 7										211,406	
The sum of											168,406

And the said resolution was read a second time.
 Mr. Zox moved, That this resolution be re-committed to the Committee of Supply.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion by leave withdrawn.
 Question—That the said resolution be agreed to by the Assembly—put and resolved in the affirmative.

DIVISION NO. 8.												
PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.												
Subdivision No. 1.												
1	1	...	Inspector-General of Penal Establishments, also Inspector of Gaols, with quarters							900		
1	2	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	500	16	13	4	600	600
1	3	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	375	18	6	8	485	485
2	4	...	Clerks ... ..	...	...	...	200	25	0	0	350	550
1	5	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	80	16	13	4	180	172
1	...	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150
7			Carried forward							2,857		

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	PENAL— <i>continued.</i>	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Mini-	Annual	Maxi-		
				mum.	Increment.	mum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
			Subdivision No. 2.					
			PENAL AND GAOLS—POLICE.					
1*	3	...	Superintendent ...	375	18 6 8	485	485	
1*	3	...	Governor ...	...	...	...	485	
5*	4	...	Governors † ...	200	25 0 0	350	1,750	
3*	...	3	Governors ...	...	...	250	750	
1*	4	...	Assistant Superintendent ...	200	25 0 0	350	350	
1*	4	...	Storekeeper ...	...	...	...	350	
3	4	...	Clerks ...	...	...	...	875	
1	4	...	Schoolmaster ...	...	...	...	250	
1	...	...	Inspector of Works ...	...	...	...	300	
9	...	3	Overseers of Labor ...	...	...	...	1,800	
1	...	3	Tanner and Currier ...	...	...	...	180	
1	...	3	Baker ...	...	...	...	180	
10*	...	3	Chief Warders ...	...	...	200	2,000	
16	...	3	Senior Warders, at per diem—					
			Fourteen ...	...	...	9/6	} 2,884 § ||	
			Two ...	...	...	8/6*		
130	...	3	Warders, at per diem—					
			One hundred and eleven...	...	...	8/6	} 20,696 § ||	
			Nineteen ...	...	...	7/6†		
1*	...	3	Matron ...	...	...	...	140	
1	...	3	Sub-Matron ...	...	...	...	129	
1	...	3	Female Overseer of Labor ...	...	...	...	120	
16	...	3	Female Warders—7 at 5/6 and 9 at 4/6	4/6 †	...	5/6	1,442	
1*	...	3	Female Warders, Assistants ...	3/6	...	...	64	
204							35,230	
			SALARIES ...				38,087	
			Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.					
			Allowance to Chief Warden Henry Williams, for acting as Governor of the Castlemaine Gaol during the absence on leave of Mr. Hyland ...				9	
			Chaplains—Allowance to ...				1,110	
			Allowances to Working Prisoners ...				900	
			Provisions ...				9,800	
			Stores, including Clothing and Bedding, and Raw Materials for Manufacture				6,000	
			Fuel, Light, and Water ...				4,000	
			Travelling Expenses and Transport ...				300	
			Books for Library and School ...				150	
			Forage, Burials, Relief of Destitute Prisoners on discharge ...				375	
			Incidental Expenses ...				525	
							23,169	
			Total Division No. 8 ...				61,256	
			The sum of ...				...	49,256

NOTE.—All officers of the Penal and Gaols Department marked * are, where practicable, provided with quarters, fuel, light, and water.

† One receives a gratuity of £25 for extra clerical duties.—‡ The reduced rates apply to persons during first two years of service.—§ The full amount required to pay these warders is not here asked for, as those in quarters receive 1s. per diem less than the rates stated.—|| Includes 6d. per diem additional pay after ten years' service.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION NO. 9.								
MEDICAL.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER.								
1*	1	...	Chief Medical Officer ...	...	...	...	900	
1	3	...	Clerk ...	...	375	18 6 8	485	485
1	5	...	Clerk ...	...	80	16 13 4	180	180
1	2	...	Secretary to Central Board of Health	...	500	16 13 4	600	600
1	3	...	Superintending Inspector to Central Board of Health	...	375	18 6 8	485	485
1	...	3	Office Messenger	...	...	...	...	120
1*	...	...	Assistant Medical Officer	...	...	...	...	500
1*	3	...	Resident Surgeon, Pentridge†	...	375	18 6 8	485	485
1*	2	...	Health Officer, Queenscliff	...	500	16 13 4	600	510
6	...	3	Health Officer's Boat's Crew ‡	...	7/6	...	9/6	904 ||
1	...	...	Clerk ...	...	...	...	...	250
16							5,419	
Subdivision No. 2.								
SANATORY STATION.								
1	4	...	Storekeeper in charge §	...	200	25 0 0	350	350
2	...	3	Laborers §	...	50	...	80	130
3							480	
SALARIES ...							5,899	
Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.								
Expenses of the Central Board of Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspector							690	
Medical Attendance, Medicines, and Medical Comforts for Prisoners, and others							2,135	
Stores, Stationery, Provisions, Fuel, Light, and Water for Sanatory Station and Office							235	
Fees to Acting Health Officer, and Incidental Expenses							267	
							3,327	
Subdivision No. 4.								
Allowances for Vaccination							4,500	
							7,827	
Total Division No. 9							13,726	
The sum of							...	10,226

* Professional.—† With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servant.—‡ With quarters.—§ With quarters, rations, fuel, light, and water.—|| Includes 6d. per diem additional pay after ten years' service.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 10.			Salary of Office.			£	£
			HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			Subdivision No. 1.								£	£ s. d.	£
			YARRA BEND.							
*1	1	...	Superintendent ...	...	...	...	...	900	
*2	...	...	Resident Medical Officers, one at £250, and one at £400	...	250	...	400	650	
1	4	...	Steward ...	...	200	25 0 0	350	350	
†1	3	...	Clerk and Accountant	...	"	"	"	385		
†2	5	...	Clerks ...	...	80	16 13 4	180	524	
1	5	...	Clerk ...	...					
1	...	...	Dispenser	...	...	...	...	180	
1	...	...	Matron	...	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Storeman	...	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Senior Head Warder	...	...	...	...	200	
1	...	...	Assistant Head Warder	...	...	...	...	150	
1	...	...	Male Hospital Warder	...	...	...	...	130	
1	...	...	Female Hospital Warder	...	...	...	...	60	
53a	...	...	Male Warders	...	65	...	120	5,680	
32b	...	...	Female Warders	...	26	...	50	1,422	
1	...	...	Engineer	...	...	...	...	182	
1	...	...	Farm Bailiff (with two rations daily)	...	...	...	...	150	
1	...	...	Gardener	...	...	...	...	110	
4	...	...	Cooks	...	60	...	80	280	
4	...	...	Laundresses	...	36	...	50	158	
1	...	...	Gatekeeper	...	...	...	...	80	
2	...	...	Messengers	...	36	...	50	86	
1	...	...	Brewer	...	...	...	...	200	
1	...	...	Brewer's Assistant	...	...	...	...	65	
3	...	...	Carters	...	...	...	60	180	
119								12,362		

NOTE.—All persons in the Department of Hospitals for the Insane, except those indicated by †, are allowed quarters, where practicable, rations, fuel, light, and water.

* Professional.—a Male Warders: 21 first class, 32 second class.—b Female Warders: 15 first class, 17 second class.

			Subdivision No. 2.							
			KEW ASYLUM.							
*1	...	...	Medical Superintendent	...	...	...	...	600	
*2	...	...	Resident Medical Officers	...	250	...	400	650	
1	4	...	Steward, also Clerk, under Lunacy Statute	...	200	25 0 0	350	350		
†2	...	...	Clerks, one at £122 and one at £150	...	...	...	...	272	
1	...	...	Clerk	...	...	...	...	180	
1	...	...	Dispenser	...	...	...	...	180	
1	...	...	Matron	...	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Storeman	...	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Senior Head Warder	...	...	...	...	200	
1	...	...	Assistant Head Warder	...	...	...	...	150	
1	...	...	Male Hospital Warder	...	...	...	...	130	
1	...	...	Female Hospital Warder	...	...	...	...	60	
50a	...	...	Male Warders	...	65	...	120	4,460	
42b	...	...	Female Warders	...	26	...	50	1,583	
1	...	...	Engineer	...	...	...	...	182	
1	...	...	Farm Bailiff (with two rations daily)	...	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Gardener	...	...	...	...	110	
1	...	...	Chief Cook and Baker	...	...	...	...	120	
3	...	...	Cooks	...	60	...	80	200	
5	...	...	Laundresses	...	36	...	50	194	
1	...	...	Hall Porter	...	...	...	...	80	
1	...	...	Messenger	...	...	...	...	50	
1	...	...	Fireman	...	...	...	...	60	
3	...	...	Carters	...	...	...	60	180	
124								10,351		

* Professional.—a Male Warders: 13 first class, 37 second class.—b Female Warders: 8 first class, 34 second class.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE							
<i>—continued.</i>							
Subdivision No. 3.							
ARARAT.							
1*	Medical Superintendent ...	...	...	500	
1*	Resident Medical Officer ...	...	...	300	
1	Steward, also Clerk, under Lunacy Statute ...	...	...	250	
1	Clerk ...	...	...	89	
1	Matron ...	...	...	90	
1	Head Warder ...	...	...	160	
1	Male Hospital Warder ...	...	...	125	
1	Female Hospital Warder ...	...	...	55	
23a	Male Warders ...	65	...	120	2,255
17b	Female Warders ...	30	...	50	698
1	Engineer ...	...	...	...	182
1	Farm Bailiff (with two rations daily) ...	...	...	...	80
1	Storeman ...	...	...	...	60
1	Gardener ...	...	...	...	85
2	Cooks ...	...	...	...	140
2	Laundresses ...	36	...	45	81
1	Hall Porter ...	...	...	...	80
1	Messenger ...	...	...	...	36
1	Carter ...	...	...	60	60
59							5,326
Subdivision No. 4.							
BEECHWORTH.							
1*	Medical Superintendent ...	...	...	...	500
1*	Resident Medical Officer ...	...	...	...	250
1	4	...	Steward ...	200	25 0 0	350	350
1	Clerk ...	...	...	...	180
1	Matron ...	...	...	...	90
1	Head Warder ...	...	...	...	160
29c	Male Warders ...	65	...	120	2,780
19d	Female Warders... Hospital Warder ...	30	...	50	758
1	Female Hospital Warder ...	...	...	...	125
1	Female Hospital Warder ...	...	...	...	55
1	Engineer ...	...	...	...	182
2	Cooks ...	60	...	80	140
1	Gardener ...	...	...	...	85
2	Laundresses ...	36	...	45	81
1	Hall Porter ...	...	...	...	80
1	Messenger ...	...	...	...	36
1	Farm Bailiff (with two rations daily) ...	...	...	...	80
1	Storeman ...	...	...	...	60
1	Carter ...	...	...	...	60
67							6,052

* Professional. — a Male Warders: 8 first class, 15 second class. — b Female Warders: 6 first class, 11 second class, — c Male Warders: 9 first class, 20 second class. — d Female Warders: 7 first class, 12 second class.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE— <i>continued.</i>	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			Subdivision No. 5.					
			BALLARAT.					
				£	£ s. d.	£		
1	Senior Head Warder (in charge)	...	...	...	225	
1	Clerk and Storekeeper	...	...	...	180	
1	Matron	...	...	...	90	
6‡	Warders, Male	90	...	120	430	
6§	Warders, Female	30	...	50	210	
1	Female Cook	...	...	...	50	
2	Laundresses	36	...	40	76	
1	Carter	...	...	60	60	
19							1,321	
			Total SALARIES	...	...	...	35,412	
			Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.					
			Medical Attendance and Medicines, Ballarat Asylum	...	...	...	200	
			Fees to Official Visitors throughout the Colony	...	...	...	952	
			Allowance to Stewards for acting as Clerks of Asylums	...	...	...	135	
			Allowance to Chaplains	...	...	...	310	
			Provisions and Extra Articles	...	...	...	33,380	
			Clothing and Bedding, and Materials for Manufacture	...	...	...	12,935	
			Stores (including Repairs), Purchase of Stock, Books, &c.	...	...	...	3,230	
			Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	7,430	
			Medicines and Medical Comforts	...	...	...	2,690	
			Forage	...	...	...	385	
			Incidental Expenses, &c.	...	...	...	1,320	
			Maintenance of Lunatics in Hospital Wards	...	...	...	300	
							63,267	
			Total Division No. 10	...	...	...	98,679	
			The sum of	...	...	...	...	78,679
			‡ Male Warders: 2 first class, 4 second class.—§ Female Warders: 2 first class, 4 second class.					
			DIVISION No. 11.					
			INDUSTRIAL AND REFORMA- TORY SCHOOLS.					
			Subdivision No. 1.					
3	Clerks—					
			One	...	...	...	450	
			Two	250	...	300	550	
2	Superintendents	240	...	375	615	
2	Matrons	120	...	150	270	
3	Teachers	218	...	250	686	
3	Storekeepers	...	...	218	654	
1	Summoning Officer	...	...	200	200	
12	Assistant Clerks—					
			Three	...	...	198	1,848	
			Nine	96	...	180		
5	Assistant Teachers—					
			One	...	...	160	690	
			Four	120	...	140		
31							5,963	
			Subdivision No. 2.					
1	Gas Engineer	...	...	10/	183	
6	Trade Instructors	7/6	...	9/6	913	
10	Agriculture Instructors	6/	...	8/	1,296	
1	Carter, at per diem	...	...	7/	128	
2	Sewing Mistresses	...	...	4/6	165	
2	Cooks, at per diem	...	...	3/	110	
2	Hospital Nurses	...	...	3/	110	
3	Farm Laborers	5/	...	6/	311	
1	Messenger, at per diem	...	...	6/	110	
...	Attendants, at per diem	1/6	...	2/3	1,700	
...	Temporary Assistants, &c.	...	...	...	200	
28							5,226	
59			SALARIES	...	...	...	11,189	

INDUSTRIAL AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS—*continued.*

Subdivision No. 3.

CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Allowance to Singing Master	26	
Provisions	6,500	
Clothing and Bedding... ..	3,000	
Fuel, Light, and Water	1,500	
Stores, Stock, &c.	1,400	
Medical Comforts	150	
Incidentals and Transport	1,200	
Maintenance of Deserted Children in the Sandhurst Industrial Schools, at 6s. 6d. per week and 10s. per annum ; and to aid Industrial and Reformatory Schools supported by private contributions, at a rate not exceeding 5s. per week for each child, and to provide for expense of Outfits of Children sent to service and boarded out from these institutions ...	5,000	
Expenses of Boarding Children	19,750	
	38,526	
Total Division No. 11	49,715	
The sum of ... ..	...	37,215

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION NO. 12. THE OBSERVATORY. Subdivision No. 1.	Salary of Office.			£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum	
				£	£ s. d.	£	
1	1	...	Government Astronomer *	...	...	...	700
1	2	...	Assistant Astronomer * ...	500	16 13 4	600	525
2	3	...	Assistant Astronomers * ...	375	18 6 8	485	943
1	4	...	Assistant Astronomer * ...	200	25 0 0	350	313
1	...	3	Messenger * ...	...	...	...	112
6			SALARIES ...	...	...	...	2,593

Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.

Bonus to five Meteorological Observers at Weather Telegram Stations	50	
Clerical Assistance and Computing Assistance on account of Weather Telegrams	252	
Wages of Mechanic, 11s. per diem ; of Workman at Great Telescope, £130 ; and for Attendance at Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williams-town, at 1s. 3d. per diem	323	
Books, Instruments, and Repairs	240	
Lithographing Drawings obtained with the Great Telescope, and preparation of Weather Diagrams	50	
Fuel, Light, Water, Photographic Materials, and Incidental Expenses...	270	
	1,185	
Total Division No. 12	3,778	
The sum of ... ..	...	2,828

* With quarters,

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 13.							
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
PUBLIC LIBRARY.							
1	...	...	Librarian	...	...	600	
1	...	...	Sub-Librarian	...	...	350	
3	...	3	Assistants—One at £225 ; One at £185 ; One at £170	...	...	580	
4	...	3	Attendants— Three	...	160	480	
			One	...	...	60	
1	...	3	Book-repairer	...	...	150	
2	...	...	Boys as Messengers	...	...	100	
12						2,320	
NATIONAL MUSEUM.							
1	1	...	Director and Palæontologist, acting also as Zoologist	...	...	300	
2	...	...	Taxidermists	200	250	450	
2	...	...	Assistant Taxidermists	125	150	275	
1	...	...	Clerk	...	...	110	
2	...	...	Attendants	...	...	180	
1	...	...	Charwoman	...	...	50	
9						1,365	
NATIONAL GALLERY.							
1	...	...	Instructor in Painting and Master of School of Art (with fees)	...	...	350	
1	...	...	Instructor and Master in School of Design (with fees)	...	...	250	
3	...	...	Attendants	90	100	290	
5						890	
INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.							
1	...	...	Scientific Superintendent (with fees)	...	...	350	
2	...	...	Pupil Assistants	...	...	120	
2	...	...	Assisting Attendants in Museum and Laboratories	90	100	190	
1	...	...	Model Maker and skilled Workman	...	...	200	
1	...	...	Assistant Model Maker	...	...	50	
7						910	
GENERAL STAFF.							
1	...	...	Secretary to Trustees	...	...	350	
2	...	...	Attendants, acting also as Housekeepers	...	...	200	
1	...	3	Clerk	...	...	110	
4						660	
SALARIES						6,145	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES						10,430	
Total Division No. 13						16,575	
The sum of						...	13,575

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 14. GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.				Salary of Office.			£	£
							Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
							£	£ s. d.	£		
Subdivision No. 1.											
...	1	...	Government Botanist	...	...	...	...	...	800	
...	...	...	Clerk (Museum)...	...	...	...	...	...	200	
...	...	...	Assistant (out-door)	...	...	...	...	...	150	
SALARIES									1,150		
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.											
Museum Material and Plants									130		
Books, Instruments, Collections, Seeds, and Travelling and Incidental Expenses...									300		
Publication of Work on Australian Plants									200		
									630		
Total Division No. 14									1,780		
The sum of									...	1,330	
DIVISION No. 15. SHORTHAND WRITER.											
Subdivision No. 1.											
1	1	...	Government Shorthand Writer	...	...	...	...	...	610	
1	2	...	Assistant Shorthand Writer	...	500	16 13 4	600	...	600		
1	3	...	Clerk to act as Assistant	...	375	18 6 8	485	...	485		
1	4	...	Clerk	...	200	25 0 0	350	...	350		
1	5	...	Clerk	...	80	16 13 4	180	...	172		
1	...	3	Messenger	...	...	...	...	...	125	
SALARIES									2,342		
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.											
Stores and Incidental Expenses									40		
Clerical Assistance									60		
									100		
Total Division No. 15									2,442		
The sum of									...	1,792	
DIVISION No. 16. VICTORIAN HANSARD.											
Subdivision No. 1.											
3	...	...	Reporters	...	...	500	...	550	1,600	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.											
Stationery, Stores, and Incidental Expenses									25		
Total Division No. 16									1,625		
The sum of									...	1,200	

DIVISION No. 17.							£	£			
AGENT-GENERAL.											
Expenses, including Fees to Members of Board of Advice (£300) ...							2,462				
Telegrams							200				
Total Division No. 17							2,662				
The sum of	1,362			
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DIVISION No. 18.											
AUDIT OFFICE.											
Subdivision No. 1.											
Number.	Class.	Schedule.				Salary of Office.					
						Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum			
						£	£ s. d.	£			
1	2	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	500	16 13 4	600	525		
5	3	...	Clerks ... ..	...	...	375	18 6 8	485	2,251		
5	4	...	Clerks, including one from 1st Jan. '79	...	...	200	25 0 0	350	1,325		
12	5	...	Clerks, including one to 31st Dec. '78 only ... ..	...	...	80	16 13 4	180	1,470		
2	...	3	Messengers ... ..	...	...	72	...	140*	212		
25											
SALARIES										5,783	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.											
Clerical Assistance										800	
Travelling Expenses										375	
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses										110	
* With quarters.											
Total Division No. 18										7,068	
The sum of	5,268
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DIVISION No. 19.											
EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.											
Subdivision No. 1.											
3	Commissioners, at £1,500				4,500		
1	...	...	Registrar of Land Tax ... ..	...	...				500		
1	3	...	Secretary to Commissioners ... ..	...	...				385		
2	...	...	Classifiers and Clerks—£330 to £450	...	...				780		
2	...	...	Clerks—£125 to £240 ... ..	...	...				365		
2	...	...	Draftsmen (six months) ... ..	...	...				250		
11											
Total Division No. 19										6,780	
Subdivision No. 2.											
To meet Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax, Arrears										6,674	
Travelling Expenses of Classifiers										150	
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses										500	
Total Division No. 19										7,324	
The sum of										14,104	
The sum of ... ..										...	5,554

							£	£
DIVISION No. 20.								
SCAB PREVENTION AND DISEASES IN STOCK							8,170	
The sum of	6,070
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DIVISION No. 21.								
ABORIGINES							10,500	
The sum of	8,000
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DIVISION No. 22.								
FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
Registrar							300	
Subdivision No. 2.								
Stores, Stationery, &c.							30	
Expenses of Administration of Friendly Societies Act—Arrears							145	
							175	
Total Division No. 22							475	
The sum of	230
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DIVISION No. 23.								
GRANTS.								
No. 1. Purchase of Books for Mechanics' Institutes or Public Libraries in country districts							3,000	
On condition—								
I. That grants be made in proportion to the sum, in the aggregate not less than £5, collected by private subscription or local rates during 1878.								
II. That no grant exceeding £200 be paid to any one library.								
III. That no grant be made to any institution in Melbourne, or more than one-sixth of the entire sum be divided amongst institutions within ten miles of it.								
No. 2. For the purpose of aiding the Building Funds of Free Libraries ; no grant made to any Library to exceed £500 ; nor any to be made to any institution in Melbourne							5,490	
No. 3. Grant to the Zoological and Acclimatization Society							2,000	
No. 4. For the use of Schools of Design, and for other purposes in promoting the objects of the Commission for promoting Technological and Industrial Instruction							750	
No. 5. To the Royal Society							200	
No. 6. To the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatization Society							250	
Total Division No. 23							11,690	
The sum of ... ..							...	9,190

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

12. **TRANSFER OF LANDS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—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 Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., read a third time and *passed*.
Sir B. O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“*An Act to amend ‘The Transfer of Lands Statute’ with regard to Easements.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
13. **VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.**—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“*Loans Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow ;
“*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 17th September instant ;
“*Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Patterson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Telegraphic Messages between certain Border Towns in Victoria and New South Wales.—
Order in Council.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. GOVERNMENT STOCK CONVERSION BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the conversion of Victorian Government Stock into Debentures.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the conversion of Victorian Government Stock into Debentures,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, 2 to 12, Government Business, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until after the consideration of the General Business on the paper for to-day; and the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, 21, on the paper for to-day.
6. METROPOLITAN GAS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That the quorum of the Metropolitan Gas Committee be reduced from five to three, and that leave be given to the Committee to sit on days the House does not meet.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Speaker having reported that the Clerk of the Assembly had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported from the Committee, Mr. Langridge moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Berry moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Debate continued.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 18th September instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the Prevention of Contagious Diseases.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Bent and Mr. Gaunson do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Bent then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Prevention of Contagious Diseases,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 25th September instant.
9. CHARITABLE TRUST PROPERTY VESTING BILL.—Mr. Mirams moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to vest property held on public, religious, and charitable trusts in the succeeding trustees without conveyance or assignment and for other purposes.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Mirams and Mr. McGregor do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Mirams then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to vest property held on public, religious, and charitable trusts in the succeeding trustees without conveyance or assignment, and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 18th September instant.

(775 copies.)

10. **MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS' STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners' Statute 1865*," and for other purposes.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Gaunson and Dr. Madden do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Gaunson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Medical Practitioners' Statute 1865, and for other purposes*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 25th September instant.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
 "*Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate*,"
 "*Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee*,"
 "*Instruments and Securities Statute 1864 Amendment Bill (No. 2)—Second reading*,"
 "*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate*,"
 "*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate*,"
 "*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*William Monie's Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate*,"
 "*Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate*," until Wednesday, 18th September instant;
 "*Supply—To be further considered in Committee*," until after the consideration of the third Order, Government Business, for to-day.
12. **INGLEWOOD AND GIPPSLAND RAILWAY CONTRACTS.**—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to take into consideration the Report presented to this House during the last Session from the Select Committee upon the Inglewood and Gippsland Railways contracts.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **SESSIONAL BUSINESS.**—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Sessional Order of the Assembly as directs that, on Wednesday in each week Private Bills, Notices of Motion relating to Bills and Orders of the Day, and Notices of Motion other than Government business, shall have precedence from half-past four until twenty-five minutes past six o'clock be read, and the words "from half-past four" be rescinded, and that instead thereof the words "from the hour of meeting" be inserted.
 The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until Wednesday, 18th September instant.
14. **VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow.—Bill as amended to be printed.
15. **LOANS BILL.**—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Service moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
 "*Supply—To be further considered in Committee*,"
 "*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee*,"
 "*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading*,"
 "*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee*,"
 "*Dower Abolition Bill—Second Reading*,"
 "*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading*."

Assembly adjourned at twenty-seven minutes past ten o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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 Major W. C. Smith, and the same was read, and is as follows:—
G. F. BOWEN, *Message No. 9.*
Governor.
In accordance with the requirements of the 57th section of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made out of the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to extend the powers and benefits of the University of Melbourne.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th September 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole, Tuesday, 17th September instant.
3. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—
“*An Act to provide for the holding of Victorian Exhibitions.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 17th September instant.
Mr. James also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 17th September instant, again resolve into the said Committee.
5. LOANS 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.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 17th September instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, the Assembly ordered that the following Order of the Day be read and discharged:—
“*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading.*”
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 17th September instant:—
“*Victorian Stock Conversion Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Jurics Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second Reading,*”
“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading.*”

Assembly adjourned at twenty-two minutes past eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 10.

The 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 sanction the Issue and Expenditure of certain sums from ‘The Public Works Loan Account 1872’ for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for the Service of the Year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.”

Government Offices,

Melbourne, September 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

3. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

4. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. McIntyre having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Service moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

6. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1877. Part IV.—Production.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Longmore presented—

Agricultural Vote.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 21st August last, for a Schedule showing the distribution of last year's agricultural vote, with the names of the societies, and the amount each society got.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. LOANS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow.—Bill as amended to be printed.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—

“Victorian Stock Conversion Bill—Second reading,”

“Supply—To be further considered in Committee,”

“Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”

“Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,” until to-morrow;

“Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”

“Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,” until Thursday, 19th September instant;

“Supply—Resolutions to be reported,”

“Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—Second reading,”

“Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”

“Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,”

“Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”

“Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”

“Dower Abolition Bill—Second Reading,”

“Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,” until to-morrow.

Assembly adjourned at eighteen minutes to twelve o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 17th September 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to alter the Constitution of the Legislative Council,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 17th September 1878.

3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That the Bill transmitted from the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to amend the Constitution Act,*" be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 2nd October next.
4. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CONSTITUTION ALTERATION BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That the Bill transmitted from the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to alter the Constitution of the Legislative Council,*" be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 2nd October next.
5. BALLARAT PUBLIC GARDENS LAND VESTING BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to vest a piece of land, situate in the City of Ballarat, reserved for public gardens, in the Minister of Public Instruction.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Longmore do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to vest a piece of land situate in the City of Ballarat, reserved for Public Gardens, in the Minister of Public Instruction,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time, Tuesday, 24th September instant.
6. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Mining Statute 1865,*" to abolish Mining Boards and for other purposes.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Woods do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 'The Mining Statute 1865,' to abolish Mining Boards and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 25th September instant.
7. LOANS BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Berry, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly ordered that the words "or the Minister of Public Instruction respectively" be inserted after the word "Works" in clause 12, line 10.
Question—That the Bill do now pass, put—and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
"*An Act to authorise the raising of money for Railways and for other purposes.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.

8. VICTORIAN STOCK CONVERSION BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with a verbal amendment, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“ Supply—To be further considered in Committee,” until after the consideration of the 7th Order for to-day ;
“ Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Co mmittee,”
“ Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,”
“ Supply—Resolutions to be reported,” until to-morrow.
10. LIEN UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.—Sir B. O’Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Sir B. O’Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir B. O’Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. THE ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Langridge moved, pursuant to notice, That the Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the third reading of the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be read and discharged.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. Landridge then moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the Bill be recommitted for reconsideration and report to a Select Committee, consisting of Sir B. O’Loughlen, Bart., Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Zox; Mr. O’Hea, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Fincham, Dr. Madden, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Laurens moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Laurens moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Laurens, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at twenty-five minutes past six o’clock, and the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole stood adjourned until Wednesday, 25th September instant.
13. LIEN UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.—Sir B. O’Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Sir B. O’Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir B. O’Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“ Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“ Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“ Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“ Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”
“ Dower Abolition Bill—Second Reading,”
“ Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,” until to-morrow ;
“ Postage Rates—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,”
“ Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,” until Wednesday, 2^d 2nd October next ;
“ Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,” until to-morrow ;
“ Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill— Second reading,” until Wednesday, 2nd October next ;

- “*Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”
 “*Charitable Trust Property Vesting Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 25th September instant ;
 “*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts — Report of Select Committee — To be considered in Committee,*” until this day ;
 “*Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 2nd October next ;
 “*Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*”
 “*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”
 “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*William Monie’s Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”
 “*Coroners’ Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”
 “*Sessional Business—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 25th September instant.

15. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Sir B. O’Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered that the following Order of the Day be read and discharged :—

“*Instruments and Securities Statute 1864 Amendment Bill (No. 2)—Second reading.*”

Ordered—That the Bill be withdrawn.

16. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into Supply having been read, Mr. Grant moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and the House resolve into the Committee of Supply. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

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

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 25th September instant :—

“*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at nine minutes to twelve o’clock until to-morrow at two o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

THURSDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RODNEY—AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS AND PRODUCE.—Mr. Service moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Gillies, That there be laid before this House a return of agricultural implements consigned to stations between Sandhurst and Echuca, including the latter station, during the year 1877; also, a return of grain and other farm produce from the same stations to Melbourne during the same period.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. BUFFING-SPRINGS.—Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the cost to the Government of the last large buffing-springs and bearing-springs imported from England, including duty and all other charges.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. VICTORIAN STOCK CONVERSION BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly agreed to the amendment made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“*An Act to authorise the conversion of Victorian Government Stock into Debentures.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 24th September instant.
Mr. James also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 24th September instant, again resolve into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 24th September instant :—
“*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*”
“*Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,*”
“*Supply—Resolutions to be reported,*”
“*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”
7. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir John O'Shanassy moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to Education.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir J. O'Shanassy and Mr. Brophy do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir J. O'Shanassy then brought up a Bill intitled “*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Education,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 3rd October next.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-two minutes past six o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having, at the Table, informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson, Chairman, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY COMMITTEE.—Mr. Fincham, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria, for the year 1877. Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Longmore presented—
Land, Hotham.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 21st August last, for a return showing the amount derived by the Government from the sale of land in the town of Hotham, marked in the first and every succeeding plan as proposed reserves for public squares and gardens, prior and up to 1872, and also the area of land taken for State school purposes from such proposed reserves.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Echuca Bridge.—Reports of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into and report upon the various matters connected with the design and construction of the Railway and Road Bridge over the Murray River at Echuca, with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, &c.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
 - “ Supply—Resolutions to be reported,”
 - “ Supply—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “ Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,”
 - “ Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—
To be considered in Committee,”
 - “ Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “ Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “ Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,”
 - “ Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading.”

Assembly adjourned at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

J. JAMES,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having, at the Table, informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Cope presented a Memorial from certain farmers, &c., of Bridgewater and adjoining neighbourhood, praying that a short Bill be immediately passed by this House similar to that now in force in South Australia, making it compulsory for all landowners to destroy rabbits on their own property, the Government undertaking to do the same on Crown lands, &c.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Story presented a Petition from certain colonists in and of the Colony of Victoria, praying the House would take into its consideration the propriety of taking early steps to secure the addition of Eastern New Guinea, together with the remaining Islands of Australasia, situated between the said Island of New Guinea on the west, and the Fijian group of Islands on the east, Australia and New Caledonia on the south, and the Equator on the north, to the Colony of Victoria; that the area, influence, wealth, and usefulness of this colony might be increased and benefitted thereby, and her territorial status equalized and brought more into an equal proportion with the other Australian Colonies.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Story moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered, That the consideration of the 1st and 2nd Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the 4th Order for to-day.
6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve into the said Committee.
7. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read, and are as follow :—
Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878-9 for the several services hereunder specified, being :—
1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

(12th September 1878).

DIVISION No. 24.	£	£
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Commissions and Boards of Inquiry	2,000	
No. 2. Rewards for the Apprehension of Offenders	300	
No. 3. Allowance for the support of Lepers	250	
No. 4. Allowance to Visitor at the City Courts and Lock-ups, &c. ...	200	
No. 5. Carriage of Volunteer Fire Brigades	1,200	
No. 6. Expense of publishing Decades illustrative of the Natural History and Palæontology of Victoria	200	
No. 7. Law Costs incurred by Members of the Police Force	200	
No. 8. To reimburse Petitioner Taxed Costs, <i>re</i> Petition against the return of G. D. Macartney, Esquire, for South Gippsland ...	221	
No. 8A. To Mrs. Macartney, as reimbursement of costs incurred by the the late Dr. Macartney, Member for South Gippsland, in the matter of Mr. Mason's Petition	150	

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I.—CHIEF SECRETARY—MISCELLANEOUS—*continued.*

	£	£
No. 9. For the Purchase of Mr. Marshall Wood's Statue of Her Majesty the Queen	3,000	
No. 10. To reimburse Defendant Costs incurred in defending an action, Dickson v. Griffiths	67	
No. 11. Allowance to Mr. J. Adams, late Doorkeeper of the Legislative Assembly, in addition to his Superannuation Allowance, equal to full pay	147	
No. 12. Allowance to Mr. Thomas Watkins, late Doorkeeper of the Legislative Assembly, in addition to his Superannuation allowance, equal to full pay, including arrears, £171 4s. 9d. ...	172	
No. 13. Gratuity to Elizabeth Clarke, widow of Hugh Clarke, killed by fall from building at Parliament Houses	100	
No. 14. Expenses under the <i>Vine Diseases Eradication Act</i> , arrears ...	830	
No. 15. Compensation to Constable Kennedy, for furniture and effects, destroyed under regulations of the Board of Health	200	
No. 16. Allowance to Mr. R. Brough Smyth for extra Services <i>re</i> Work on Aborigines, final payment	200	
No. 17. Gratuity to widow of Sergeant Anderson, No. 1471, of the Police Force, being an amount equal to what the Sergeant would have been entitled to under the Statute, £312 13s. 4d.	313	
Total Division No. 24	9,750	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,250

And the said resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Bent moved, That the said sum be reduced by the sum of £221.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question—That the Assembly agree with the Committee in the above resolution—proposed.

Mr. Fergusson moved, That the said sum be reduced by the sum of £3,000.

Debate ensued.

The debate not being concluded by half-past four o'clock stood adjourned until this evening.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government business, other than the 2nd, be postponed until this day.

9. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL.—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 9th October next—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*” until Wednesday, 9th October next;

“*Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”

“*Charitable Trust Property Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*” until Wednesday, 2nd October next;

“*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 9th October next;

“*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”

“*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*William Monie's Contract—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 2nd October next;

“*Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”

“*Sessional Business—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 9th October next;

“*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee,*” until this day;

“*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 2nd October next.

11. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

THURSDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER 1878,

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 for other purposes,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 25th September 1878.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until this day :—

" *Supply—Resolutions to be reported,*"

" *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*"

" *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*"

" *Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,*"

" *Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"

" *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"

" *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.*"

Assembly adjourned at eight minutes past three o'clock until this day at two o'clock p.m.

J. JAMES,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

THURSDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having, at the Table, informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. DUTIES ON THE ESTATE OF DECEASED PERSONS STATUTE.—Mr. Kerferd moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. R. Murray Smith, That there be laid before this House a return of all sums of money claimed by persons as having been overpaid, or wrongly paid, as duty under the Act called "*Duties on the Estate of Deceased Persons Statute, 1870.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Land Act 1869.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Longmore and Major W. C. Smith do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Longmore then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to Amend 'The Land Act 1869,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time, Thursday, 3rd October next.
5. DUTIES OF CUSTOMS.—Mr. Lalor moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday next the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the imposition of certain Duties of Customs.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Report of resolutions from the Committee of Supply having been read,
Debate on the question—That the sum of £5,250, balance of amount proposed in this present Session of Parliament for Miscellaneous, Division No. 24, be reduced by the sum of £3,000—continued.
Question put.
Assembly divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Carter,	
Mr. Cooper,	
Mr. D. M. Davies,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Bayles.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. Kernot,	
Mr. Langridge,	
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Lyell,	
Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. Service,	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Billson,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. Bosisto,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Casey,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. A. K. Smith.
Mr. Dow,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Woods.
Mr. Grant,	
Mr. Ince,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lalor,	
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. Graves.

And so it passed in the negative.

And the said resolution was agreed to by the Assembly.

(775 copies.)

The following Resolutions were also reported from the Committee of Supply, viz.:—

That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878-9 for the several services hereunder specified, being:—

1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

(12th September 1878).

Number.	Class	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
DIVISION No. 27.							
THEIR HONORS THE JUDGES.			£	£ s. d.	£		
Subdivision No. 1.							
5	...	2	Judges' Associates	...	300	1,500	
5			SALARIES	...	...	1,500	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.							
			Travelling Expenses	...	...	680	
			Fuel, Light, and Water	} included under "Sheriffs."	...		
			Stores and Incidental Expenses		...		
Total Division No. 27			...	...	...	2,180	
The sum of			...	...	...	...	1,630
DIVISION No. 28.							
LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
1	1	1	Secretary to the Law Department	...	...	900	
1	1	...	Chief Clerk and Accountant	...	...	610	
1*	2	...	Parliamentary and Professional Assistant	...	...	525	
1	3	...	Clerk	...	600	485	
3	4	...	Clerks	...	485	825	
1	...	...	Clerk	...	...	350	
1	...	...	Clerk	...	...	200	
1	...	3	Despatch Clerk and Office-keeper†	...	...	250	
1	...	3	Messenger	...	...	130	
11			SALARIES	...	...	4,275	
Subdivision No. 2.							
Prosecutors for the Queen—							
1	...	...	At Melbourne	...	...	1,000	
2	...	...	At Courts of Assize	...	600	1,200	
3‡	...	...	At Courts of General Sessions	...	600	1,800	
1	...	...	Government Analytical Chemist	...	...	400	
7			SALARIES	...	...	4,400	

* Professional.—† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—‡ With travelling allowances.

LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN—*continued.*

Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.						£	£
Clerical Assistance	...	...	...	...	...	150	
Professional Assistance	...	...	...	...	...	1,297	
Revising Bye-laws of Mining Boards	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings, including Fees to Prosecuting Barristers	...	...	...	...	...	1,700	
Travelling Expenses, including those of Prosecutors for the Queen	...	...	...	...	...	600	
For Defence of persons without means charged with capital crimes and Aborigines charged with indictable offences	...	...	...	...	...	400	
Books and Reports for Library	...	...	...	...	...	160	
Victorian Law Reports	...	...	...	...	...	840	
Stores, Fuel, Light, and Water, and Incidental Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	280	
						5,627	
Total Division No. 28						14,302	
The sum of						...	11,302

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 29.				Salary of Office.		
			CROWN SOLICITOR.				Minimum	Annual Increment.	Maximum
			Subdivision No. 1.				£	£ s. d.	£
1*	1	1	Crown Solicitor...	...	...	...	...	1,000
1*	2	...	Chief Clerk for Criminal Business	...	...	500 16 13	4 600	600
1*	2	...	Chief Clerk for Civil Business †	...	...	" "	" "	600
1	2	...	Clerk	...	...	" "	" "	509
1*	3	...	Clerk	...	...	375 18 6	8 485	440
2	3	...	Clerks	...	...	" "	" "	769
2	4	...	Clerks	...	...	200 25 0	0 350	700
4	5	...	Clerks	...	...	80 16 13	4 180	454
3	...	...	Clerks	...	...	...	240	720
1	...	3	Messenger	...	...	...	...	110
17			SALARIES				5,902

Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.						£	£
Clerical Assistance	...	...	...	...	...	140	
Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	275	
Stores	...	...	...	...	...	150	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses	...	...	...	...	...	30	
						595	
Total Division No. 29						6,497	
The sum of						...	4,847

* Professional.

† Also receives an allowance of £200 a year from the Railway Department.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.						£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.			Maximum			
			£	£	s.	d.	£			
DIVISION No. 30.										
PROTHONOTARY.										
Subdivision No. 1.										
1*	1	1	Prothonotary	...	...	...	...	800	
1*	2	...	Chief Clerk	...	...	...	600	600	
2	3	...	Clerks	...	...	...	485	824	
1	4	...	Clerk	...	...	...	350	350	
1	5	...	Clerk	...	...	...	180	139	
1	...	3	Messenger and Housekeeper†	...	...	...	...	150	
7			SALARIES	...	...	...	...	2,863	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.										
			Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses	...	...	...	...	110	
			Total Division No. 30	...	...	...	...	2,973	
			The sum of	...	...	...	...	...	2,223
DIVISION No. 31.										
MASTER-IN-EQUITY.										
Subdivision No. 1.										
1*	1	...	Chief Clerk in Equity	...	...	...	...	750	
2	4	...	Clerks	...	...	...	350	663	
1	5	...	Clerk	...	...	...	180	180	
2	...	...	Clerks	...	...	...	200	400	
1	...	3	Messenger and Housekeeper†	...	...	...	...	120	
7			SALARIES	...	...	...	...	2,113	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.										
			Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses, including £37 10s. Guarantee Premium of the Master-in-Equity, under Sec. 7 of Act No. 435	...	...	...	...	125	
			Total Division No. 31...	...	...	...	...	2,238	
			The sum of	...	...	...	...	...	1,688

* Professional.—† With quarters fuel and water.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 32.							
PROBATE, ADMINISTRATION, AND LUNACY.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
1*	1	...	Registrar of Probates and Administrations, and Officer for Lunacy business			610	
2	...	...	Clerks			250	500
3			SALARIES			1,110	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.							
Travelling Expenses, Stores, and Incidental Expenses						25	
Total Division No. 32						1,135	
The sum of						...	835
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DIVISION No. 33.							
COURT OF INSOLVENCY.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
1	Judge of the Court of Insolvency			1,500	
1	3	...	375	18 6 8	485	458	
1	4	...	200	25 0 0	350	213	
1	...	3	Messenger and Housekeeper †			120	
1	...	...	Bailliff of Insolvent Court, Geelong ‡			200	
5			SALARIES			2,491	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.							
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses						50	
Total Division No. 33						2,541	
The sum of						...	1,891

* Professional.—† With quarters, fuel, and water.—‡ Acts also as Courtkeeper, &c.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 34.							
REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
1	1	1	Registrar-General, Registrar of Supreme Court and Registrar of Titles	...	...	...	750
1	2	...	Deputy Registrar-General and Assistant-Registrar of Titles...	500	16 13 4	600	559
1	2	...	Chief Draftsman and Surveyor	"	"	"	600
1*	2	...	Clerk of Patents and Registrar of Copyrights†	"	"	"	559
1	2	...	Clerk ‡	"	"	"	509
4	3	...	Clerks...	375	18 6 8	485	1,830
15	4	...	Clerks...	200	25 0 0	350	4,575
11	5	...	Clerks...	80	16 13 4	180	1,747
4	...	...	Clerks...	240	...	350	1,090
8	...	...	Clerks...	140	...	180	1,310
1	...	3	Despatch Clerk and Keeper of Stores	...	...	...	180
1	...	3	Messenger and Housekeeper §	...	...	...	170
2	...	3	Messengers	...	...	100	200
51			SALARIES	...	...	...	14,079
OFFICE OF TITLES.—PROFESSIONAL BRANCH.							
Subdivision No. 2.							
1*	...	...	Commissioner of Titles	...	...	...	1,800
6*	...	...	Examiners of Titles	500	...	800	4,100
7			SALARIES	...	...	...	5,900
Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.							
			Clerical Assistance	...	...	...	576
			Preparation of Diagrams or Plans, Engraving, Indexing, and Contracts for Special Work	...	...	...	1,050
			Printing Transfer Drawing Plans of Patent Specifications	...	...	...	75
			Works of Reference for Patent and Statistical Library	...	...	...	50
			Fuel, Light, Water, and Stores	...	...	...	250
			Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon subpoena	...	...	...	225
			Fire-proof Boxes for Deputy Registrars' Records	...	...	...	100
							2,326
			Total Division No. 34	...	...	...	22,305
			The sum of	...	...	...	17,805

* Professional.—† Also acting as Registrar of Trade-marks.—‡ To act also as Deputy Registrar-General and Assistant-Registrar of Titles when required.—§ With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

DIVISION No. 35.

DEPUTY-REGISTRARS.

	£	£
Allowances to Deputy-Registrars	5,500	
The sum of ... ..	..	4,100

DIVISION No. 36.			SHERIFFS.			Subdivision No. 1.			Salary of Office.		
Number.	Class.	Schedule.				Minimum.	Annual Increment.		Maximum		
						£	£ s. d.	£			
1	1	1	Sheriff, Melbourne	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,000	
1	1	...	Chief Clerk * ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	630	
2	1	...	Sheriffs †	...	...	...	...	610	...	1,220	
1	2	...	Sheriff	...	...	500	16 13 4	600	...	600	
2	3	...	Clerks	...	...	375	18 6 8	485	...	970	
1	...	...	Clerk	...	...	...	...	...	...	200	
7	...	...	Clerks and Bailiffs ‡	...	...	...	...	200	...	1,400	
3	...	...	Bailiffs ‡	...	...	...	...	200	...	600	
7	...	3	Courtkeepers, Criers, and Messengers §	...	...	150	...	200	...	1,100	
1	...	3	Crier	...	...	...	...	150	...	150	
3	...	3	Messengers	...	...	120	...	150	...	420	
29			SALARIES	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,290	

Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.

Allowances to Witnesses at the Central Criminal Court and Courts of Assize	3,500
Fees to Jurors	5,500
Travelling Expenses	350
Fuel, Light, and Water	150
Stores	200
Allowances to the Sheriffs of the Eastern and Western Bailiwicks, at £75 each	150
Incidental Expenses, including allowances to Bailiffs, as per Subdivision No. 1	1,200
	11,050
Total Division No. 36	19,340

The sum of 15,340

* Acts also as Sheriff's Deputy.—† Sheriffs for the Midland and Southern Bailiwicks.—‡ With allowances equal to the sums actually recovered and paid into the Treasury in respect of *mileage* fees, under Schedule 35 of the "Common Law Procedure Statute 1865."—§ With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

IV.—MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 38.							
COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF MINES, AND GENERAL SESSIONS.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
5	1500	7,500	
2	...	3	...	...	150	300	
7						7,800	
SALARIES						7,800	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.							
Assessors' and Jurors' Fees						600	
Witnesses' Allowances—those at Courts of Petty Sessions, Inquests, and Magisterial Inquiries (other than Professional Witnesses, or Experts, Police Officers, and Interpreters), only when summoned from a distance beyond twenty miles						4,000	
Allowances for Travelling Expenses to Clerks who act at more than one Court, and Remuneration to Acting Clerks of Courts, at various places						7,000	
Office-keepers' Allowances						960	
Bailiffs' Remuneration						500	
Travelling and Incidental Expenses						2,000	
Fuel, Light, and Water						430	
Stores						700	
						16,190	
Total Division No. 38						23,990	
The sum of ... ..						...	18,990
* Messenger at Court of Petty Sessions allowed quarters, fuel, light, and water. Messenger at County Court allowed quarters, fuel, and water.							
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DIVISION No. 39.							
POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
2	...	2	...	800	...	850	1,650
13	...	2	...	...	...	650	8,450
15							10,100
SALARIES						10,100	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.							
Allowances for Forage and Travelling Expenses						5,000	
Allowance to Acting Police Magistrate at Cowana						50	
						5,050	
Total Division No. 39						15,150	
The sum of ... ..						...	11,350

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Offices.			£	£	
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum			
			£	£ s. d.	£			
DIVISION No. 40.								
CLERKS OF COURTS AND INTERPRETER.								
1	1	...	Clerk of the Peace, Registrar of the County Court, and Clerk of Petty Sessions, Melbourne	...	...	610		
2	2	...	Clerks	500	16 13 4	600	1,017	
11	3	...	Clerks	375	18 6 8	485	4,978	
24	4	...	Clerks	200	25 0 0	350	7,900	
17	5	...	Clerks	80	16 13 4	180	2,019	
5	...	...	Clerks	200	...	325	1,190	
60			Total Division No. 40	...	...	...	17,714	
The sum of							...	14,214
DIVISION No. 41.								
CORONERS.								
Subdivision No. 1.—CONTINGENCIES.								
Coroners, Remuneration to, at £2 2s. each Inquest and adjournment; with Travelling Expenses, at 1s. 6d. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended inquest or inquests, one way only, or at such commuted allowances as may be fixed by the Governor in Council							1,500	
Surgeons, Remuneration to, for each <i>post mortem</i> examination, £2 2s.; and £1 1s. each Inquest and adjournment, with Travelling Expenses at 1s. 6d. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended inquest or inquests, one way only							3,800	
Jurors—Remuneration at the rate of 5s. a day to each Juror summoned to any inquest at the Lunatic Asylums							600	
Payments in respect to Inquests							500	
Stores and Incidental Expenses, including Travelling Expenses of Justices of the Peace when holding Magisterial Inquiries							300	
Total Division No. 41							6,700	
The sum of							...	5,050

V.—TREASURER.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 43.								
TREASURER.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
SALARIES.								
1	1	1	Under-Treasurer ... ..	...	...	...	1,000
1	1	1	Accountant to the Treasury ... ..	...	...	...	700
1	1	1	Receiver and Paymaster, Melbourne... ..	...	...	...	700
3	2	...	} Clerks and Receivers and Pay- masters	500	16 13 4	600	1,775	
23	3	...		375	18 6 8	485	10,770	
17	4	...		200	25 0 0	350	5,088	
23	5	...	...	80	16 13 4	180	3,182
1	...	...	At £250 ... ..	...	...	...	250
1	...	3	Despatch Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	180
1	...	3	Messenger ... ..	...	...	...	110
1	...	...	Messenger ... ..	...	52	...	52
73			SALARIES	...	...	...	23,807
Subdivision No. 2.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
			Clerical Assistance ... ..	...	...	...	2,000
			Issuers of Miners' Rights and Collectors of Imposts	...	...	...	200
			Allowances to Officers of other Departments for performing Treasury duties* ... ..	...	...	...	800
			Officekeepers ... ..	...	...	...	500
			Travelling Expenses ... ..	...	...	...	1,000
			Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	...	...	...	170
			Stores ... ..	...	...	...	850
			Incidental Expenses ... ..	...	...	...	250
							5,770	
			Total Division No. 43.	...	...	...	29,577
			The sum of	...	...	...	23,577

* Previously paid from the vote for Unforeseen Expenses.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 44. STORES AND TRANSPORT. Subdivision No. 1. SALARIES.	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
1	3	...	Secretary for Stores and Transport ...	375	18 6 8	485	485	
1	5	...	Clerk	80	16 13 4	180	97	
							582	

Subdivision No. 2.

CONTINGENCIES.

Stores, Fuel, Light, &c.	60	
Total Division No. 44	642	
The sum of ... ..	...	482

DIVISION No. 45. GOVERNMENT PRINTER. Subdivision No. 1. SALARIES.								
1	1	1	Government Printer* ... ..	...	...	...	...	700
1	3	...	Accountant ... ..	...	375	18 6 8	485	385
1	4	...	Clerk ... ..	...	200	25 0 0	350	350
1	5	...	Clerk ... ..	...	80	16 13 4	180	180
1	3	...	Overseer ... ..	...	375	18 6 8	485	485
1	4	...	Sub-overseer ... ..	...	...	...	...	350
2	...	3	Two ... ..	...	...	...	300	600
4	...	3	Readers ... ..	...	...	...	275	1,100
1	4	...	Overseer of Bookbinding branch ...	...	200	25 0 0	350	325
1	...	3	Sub-overseer " ... ..	...	...	...	...	200
1	...	3	Store Clerk ... ..	...	...	...	...	325
67	...	3	Compositors and others, per week ...	...	40/	...	105/	12,857
17	...	3	Bookbinders and others " ... ..	...	32/6	...	85/	2,595
1	...	3	Engraver and Electrotyper ... ..	...	...	...	...	400
100			Total SALARIES AND WAGES ... ..	...	...	...	...	20,852

Subdivision No. 2.

Printers — Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing Electoral Rolls	5,846
Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands	1,859
	7,705

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

GOVERNMENT PRINTER—*continued.*

Subdivision No. 3.

CONTINGENCIES.

Paper and Parchment	8,754
Type, &c.	740
Bookbinders' Materials, Stores, and Printing Ink	1,450
Machinery and Repairs	380
Fuel, Light, Water, Coal for Engine	500
Incidental Expenses	40

11,864

Total Division No. 45

40,421

The sum of

29,921

Number.	Class.	Schedule.
1	5	...
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DIVISION No. 46.

ADVERTISING.

Subdivision No. 1.

SALARIES.

Clerk	105
Assistant	48

Salary of Office.		
Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.
£	£ s. d.	£
80	16 13 4	180
...

105

48

153

Subdivision No. 2.

Advertising	5,000
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Total Division No. 46

5,153

The sum of

3,903

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DIVISION No. 47.

CURATOR OF ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS.

Subdivision No. 1.

SALARIES.

Curator—Allowance to (in addition to commission) not to exceed ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300
Clerks—								
Two	240	...	350	590				
Two	70	...	150	220				

300

590

220

1,110

Subdivision No. 2.

CONTINGENCIES.

Stores, Fuel, Light, and Incidental Expenses	75
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Total Division No. 47

1,185

The sum of

860

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
DEFENCES.								
DIVISION NO. 48.								
LAND FORCES.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
1	Commandant ... ..	...	...	...	750	
1	Adjutant ... ..	...	...	...	350	
1	Instructor in Gunnery and Ordnance Officer	450	
1	...	3	Brigade Quarter-master, Accountant, and Paymaster	400	
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1	Chief Clerk (Superintendent Ordnance Stores)	350	
1	Barrack and Commissariat Non-Commissioned Officer, at per diem	11/	202	
1	Storeholder ... ..	...	...	...	250	
1	Armorer ... ..	...	...	...	250	
1	Ordnance Fitter ... ..	...	...	...	250	
1	Wheeler and Pyrotechnist	219	
1	Painter, £164 5s.	165	
1	Blacksmith, at per working day	12/	188	
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Subdivision No. 2.								
Instructors, Assistant Instructors, and Overseers at the Batteries, at per diem				2/6	...	12/	5,068	
Uniform for Non-Commissioned Officers employed with Volunteer Corps and Batteries ... ..				...	...	...	150	
Forage Allowance	400	
Travelling and Horse Allowance for Cavalry Instructor, £166 5s.	167	
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ARTILLERY.								
Subdivision No. 3.								
1	Captain	450	
1	Subaltern	300	
Non-commissioned Officers—								
1	Sergeant-Major, at per diem ... ..	...	...	9/	} 9,307	
			{ Sergeants, at per diem ... ..	...	...	7/		
20	{ Corporals, at per diem ... ..	...	...	6/		
			{ Bombardiers, at per diem ... ..	...	...	5/6		
18	Gunners, Class A, at per diem ... ..	...	...	5/		
150	Gunners, Class B, one hundred and fifty, at per diem *	2/		
			Boys and Lads training as Buglers, at per diem	1/		
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191			SALARIES		

* Class B, when employed as laborers on military works, receive 1s. per diem in addition.

	£	£
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.		
<i>Artillery.</i>		
Rations and Messing for one hundred and fifty Class B Artillerymen and Boys	2,509	
Uniform for Artillery Corps	} 2,075	
Soldiers' Kits		
Fuel, Light, Water		
Travelling Expenses		
Lodging Allowance to Married Men of Class B		
Forage Allowance		
Incidentals		
	4,584	
Subdivision No. 5.—CONTINGENCIES.		
<i>General.</i>		
Effective Allowance for Maintenance of Volunteer Corps	8,500	
Horse Allowance for mounting Volunteer Officers	950	
Repair of War Material	} 1,600	
Transport		
Travelling Expenses		
Fuel, Light, and Water		
Forage for Cart Horses		
Stores and Badges		
Incidentals		
Expenses for Engineering	200	
Warlike Stores and Tents	1,000	
	12,250	
Subdivision No. 6.		
In aid of Victorian Rifle Association *	1,000	
Subdivision No. 7.		
Expenses in connexion with Sir William Jervois' visit to the Colony for the purpose of inspecting and reporting upon the Defences, £135 5 10	136	
Total Division No. 48, LAND FORCES ...	37,636	
The sum of ... ..	...	17,636

* Prizes from this vote to be in accordance with conditions approved by the Governor in Council.

(19th September 1878.)

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
DEFENCES—continued.							
DIVISION No. 49.							
NAVAL.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
<i>The "Cerberus."</i>							
1	Captain and Senior Naval Officer*	...	...	600	
1	Lieutenant	...	...	400	
1	Lieutenant	...	...	350	
1	Chief Engineer	...	...	360	
1	Paymaster	...	...	250	
1	Engineer	...	...	240	
1	Assistant-Engineer	...	...	200	
1	Torpedo-Engineer	...	...	300	
1	Gunner	...	...	200	
†2	Gunners, at 8s. 9d. per diem	...	...	697	
1	Chief Boatswain	...	...	225	
1	Carpenter	...	...	200	
1	Shipkeeper, per diem	...	7/6	137	
93	Petty Officers, Seamen, Stokers, &c., at per diem	...	2/6	7/6	
...	Able Seamen, per diem	...	...	5/	
1	Armorer, per diem	...	...	8/	
16	Boys, per diem	...	-/9	2/6	
13	Petty Officers and Seamen	...	5/	8/	
137						9,701	
						13,860	
Subdivision No. 2.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
Provisions	3,000	
Stores, Material, &c.	850	
Docking	500	
Coal	300	
Machinery	150	
Light and Water	150	
Boys' Clothing	100	
Iron Mast	400	
Incidentals	200	
Pebble Powder, including charges and freight	426	
Passage Money and Travelling Expenses of two Officers from England	200	
						6,276	

* Allowance in lieu of quarters.—† With these exceptions the whole of the officers and crew receive rations, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DEFENCES— <i>continued.</i>					Salary of Office.			£	£
								Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
								£	£ s. d.	£		
Subdivision No. 3.												
<i>Nelson.</i>												
1	Chief Engineer *	...	...	...	...	...	...	350		
1	Shipkeeper	...	...	...	...	...	...	180		
60	Petty Officers and Seamen	...	5/	...	...	6/	...	5,658		
										6,188		
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.												
Provisions ...										1,450		
Stores and Materials ...										650		
Coal ...										200		
Machinery ...										100		
Light and Water ...										100		
Incidentals ...										50		
Wages of Seamen ...										400		
										2,950		
Subdivision No. 5.												
<i>Victoria.</i>												
1	Lieutenant	...	...	...	...	...	...	350		
1	Engineer (see <i>Nelson</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,793		
30	Petty Officers, Seamen, &c.	...	2/6	...	...	6/6	...	2,793		
										3,143		
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.												
Provisions ...										720		
Stores and Material ...										450		
Coal ...										250		
Machinery ...										100		
Light and Water ...										75		
Incidentals ...										50		
										1,035		
<i>Arrears.</i>												
One Engineer and Thirty Seamen										153		
Repairs—Shipwrights' Wages										155		
Stores, Materials, &c.										200		
Ships' Stores										200		
										3,188		
Subdivision No. 7.												
NAVAL RESERVE.												
1	Gunner	...	...	...	...	...	182/10	183		
1	Gunnery Instructor	...	...	...	...	...	136/17/6	137		
216	Petty Officers and Seamen	...	12	...	...	...	16	2,440		
										2,760		
Allowance to Officers										80		
Maintenance of Uniform, Drill-rooms, and Drilling										240		
Provisions and Incidentals										900		
										1,140		

* Also to perform duty as Engineer for the *Victoria*.

	£	£
MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>		
No. 4. To Mrs. Bristowe, amount of estreated recognizance entered into by Henry William Douch, pursuant to the order of the Bench of Magistrates at Williamstown, for the due payment by her husband of maintenance money	10	
5. To pay to Sophia Crain, mother of Edward Bish, deceased, intestate, one-fourth of the amount transferred to the Revenue from the Intestate Estates Fund, in consequence of the illegitimacy of deceased	£29 2 8	
To pay to William Bish, brother of said deceased, the like	29 2 8	
To pay to Ellen Bish, sister of said deceased, the like	29 2 8	
To pay to the Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons, on behalf of infant issue of deceased's brother, George Bish, deceased, the like	29 2 7	
	<u>£116 10 7</u>	117
6. Interest on Advances in London by the Associated Banks to the Agent-General, to meet disbursements on account of Railways	£3,195 1 4	
Discount on Bills remitted to repay same	647 3 0	
	<u>£3,842 4 4</u>	3,843
7. Gratuity to the Widow of Alfred Reynell, Esq., late Receiver and Paymaster at Sandhurst, and formerly a Commissioner of the Goldfields		485
8. Gratuity to the Widow of Morgan O'Mara, late Sergeant Major and Drill Instructor of the Bendigo Rifles—equal to one year's pay—£155 2s. 6d.		156
9. To John Snelling, further compensation for injury sustained when in discharge of his duty on board the <i>Cerberus</i> , in addition to £50, paid under Division 46 of 1874-5, and £100, paid under Division 48/8 of 1875-6, and in full payment of all claims		150
10. Compensation to H. P. Sutton, for loss of office as Paymaster of the <i>Nelson</i> , in connection with Industrial and Reformatory Schools, &c., at rate of one month's pay for each year of service—viz., from 2nd February 1866 to 13th April 1877—£233 6s. 7d.		234
11. To pay Henry Holmes, brother of Charles Holmes, deceased, intestate, one-third of the amount transferred to the Revenue (less 25 per cent.) from the Intestate Estates Fund in consequence of the illegitimacy of deceased	£277 9 9	
To pay Richard Holmes, brother of the said deceased, the like	277 9 9	
To pay John Renny, half-brother of said deceased, the like	277 9 8	
	<u>£832 9 2</u>	833
Total Division No. 53		<u>6,351</u>
The sum of		531

**VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY AND
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.**

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
			DIVISION No. 55.				
			SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGE- MENT OF CROWN LANDS.				
			Subdivision No. 1.				
1	*1	1	Surveyor-General	...	...	...	1,000
1	1	1	Secretary for Lands	...	...	...	750
1	*1	...	Assistant Surveyor-General	...	...	...	625
1	1	...	Inspector and Accountant...	...	...	...	625
2	2	...	Clerks—Chief Clerk at £558 6s. 8d., Clerk at £508 6s. 8d.	...	500	16 13 4 600	1,067
4	3	...	Clerks—One at £475 16s. 8d., two at £420 16s. 8d., and one at £384 3s. 4d.	...	375	18 6 8 485	1,702
6	4	...	Clerks—Five at £350, and one at £237 10s.	...	200	25 0 0 350	1,988
1	5	...	Clerk	...	80	16 13 4 180	89
1	3	...	Registrar of Occupation	...	375	18 6 8 485	458
1	...	...	Assistant Registrar of Occupation	...	...	...	426
5	*3	...	District Surveyors—Four at £485, one at £420 16s. 8d.	...	375	18 6 8 485	2,361
3	*4	...	Assistant Surveyors—Two at £350, and one at £212 10s.	...	200	25 0 0 350	912
1	2	...	Chief Draftsman	...	500	16 13 4 600	509
3	3	...	Draftsmen—One at £485, one at £402 10s., one at £384 3s. 4d.	...	375	18 6 8 485	1,272
3	4	...	Draftsmen—One at £350, one at £262 10s., and one at £212 10s.	...	200	25 0 0 350	825
3	5	...	Draftsmen—One at £180, and two at £88 6s. 8d.	...	80	16 13 4 180	357
2	3	...	Photo-lithographers—One at £485, and one at £457 10s.	...	375	18 6 8 485	943
2	4	...	Photo-lithographers—One at £350, and one at £212 10s.	...	200	25 0 0 350	563
1	...	3	Messenger †	...	...	...	175
42	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,647

* Professional.—† With allowance for quarters.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS— <i>continued.</i>	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
			Subdivision No. 2.					
80	Clerks—					
			Thirteen	230	...	400	3,466	
			Twenty	168	...	220	3,741	
			Thirteen	132	...	164	1,889	
			Thirty-four	50	...	130	3,350	
53	Draftsmen—					
			Twenty-eight	170	...	350	6,093	
			Twenty-five	75	...	165	3,201	
2	Engravers	130	...	350	480	
5	Lithographers—					
			One ... ..	...	...	325	325	
			One ... ..	...	...	196	196	
			Three	70	...	125	291	
10	Lithographic Printers and Assistants—					
			One ... ..	...	...	275	275	
			One, at £226 18s. 6d. ...	...	...	227	227	
			One ... ..	...	...	220	220	
			Seven	84	...	96	1,008	
6	Messengers	120	...	135	748	
17	Messengers and Office-cleaners ...	20	...	120	652	
36	Crown Land Bailiffs—					
			Inspector of Bailiffs and Caretakers ... ..	...	...	...	400	
			Twenty-one Bailiffs and Caretakers ...	270	...	300	6,090	
			Ten Bailiffs and Caretakers	200	...	260	2,520	
			Five Bailiffs and Caretakers	12	...	50	187	
67	Staff at District Survey Offices—					
			Fourteen	215	...	383	3,522	
			Sixteen	156	...	200	2,874	
			Twenty-three	108	...	150	3,065	
			Fourteen	48	...	100	1,085	
9	Pupil Draftsmen	52	...	91	800	
18	Assistant Surveyors	200	...	350	4,350	
303							51,055	
			Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.					
			Engrossing and Diagram Drawing, by contract ... ..	...	...	...	2,150	
			Plan Mounting and Repairing ... ..	...	...	...	400	
			Equipment Allowances ... ..	...	...	...	2,400	
			Surveys by contract ... ..	...	...	...	7,000	
			Additional Clerical, Professional, and other Assistance ... ..	...	...	...	4,000	
			Special Re-surveys ... ..	...	...	...	1,000	
			Wages of Laborers in Survey Parties ... ..	...	...	...	6,000	
			Labor for Repairing and Cleaning Trigonometrical Stations fast falling into decay ... ..	...	...	...	300	
			Stores, Stationery, and Instruments ... ..	...	...	...	3,000	
			Photographic Stores, Apparatus, and Repairs (<i>inalterable</i>) ... ..	...	...	...	200	
			Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	...	...	...	350	
			Travelling Expenses, including Allowances to District Surveyors, &c. ...	...	...	...	3,500	
			Commission on Sales and Leases of Land ... ..	...	...	...	100	
			Expenses of Land Board Enquiries ... ..	...	...	...	150	
			To meet Claims under Land Acts ... ..	...	...	...	900	
			Police Rewards ... ..	...	...	...	600	
			Unforeseen Expenses ... ..	...	...	...	200	
			Incidental Expenses, &c., &c. ... ..	...	...	...	500	
			Messenger's Allowance for Quarters ... ..	...	...	...	50	
							32,800	
			Total Division No. 55 ... ..	...	...	...	100,502	
			The sum of ... ..	...	...	...	...	80,502

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly ordered that the Standing Orders of the Assembly be suspended, in order to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. F. L. Smyth also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve into the said Committee.

8. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.—Mr. F. L. Smyth reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read, and are as follow:—

(26th September 1878.)

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878-9, for the several services hereunder specified, being:—

1. Further in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

Division No.	£
25 and 26. Education	85,000
56. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves	1,500
57. Botanical Gardens	1,305
58. Agriculture, Forests, and Industries	1,620
59. Grants in Aid	260
61. Public Works Department	3,400
62. Melbourne Sewers and Water Supply	8,700
63. Geelong Water Supply	200
64. Miscellaneous	240
65. Works and Buildings	70,000

2. On account for or towards defraying the following service for the year 1878-9, viz.:—

65A. Defence Works	12,000
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3. Further in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

66. Road Works and Bridges	1,000
67. Customs	10,000
68. Ports and Harbors, &c.	4,500
69. Distilleries and Excise	1,600
70. Powder Magazines	190
71. Marine Survey	500
72. Miscellaneous	7
73. Post and Telegraph Offices	40,000
74. Telegraph Lines	4,000
75. Mail Service	20,000
77, 78, 79. Railways	134,000
80. Mining Department	2,690
81. Victorian Water Supply	1,485
82. Goldfields Reservoirs	300
83. Miscellaneous	100
85. Prospecting for Goldfields	6,503
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	£411,100

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

9. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly ordered that the Standing Orders of the Assembly be suspended in order to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. F. L. Smyth also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 1st of October next, again resolve into the said Committee.

Mr. F. L. Smyth reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

(26th September 1878.)

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending 30th June 1879, the sum of £613,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

10. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (2).—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirteen thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Deputy-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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.
 Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—
 “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirteen thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine.*”
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
11. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into Supply having been read—Mr. Berry moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve into the Committee of Supply.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Whereupon Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 1st October next, again resolve into the said Committee.
12. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth 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, 1st October next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 1st October next:—
 “*Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*”
 “*Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,*”
 “*Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 “*Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at ten minutes to twelve o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

J. JAMES,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

TUESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson, Chairman, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson, Chairman, having moved for and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gaunson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Question—put and negatived.
5. PETITION.—Mr. Purves presented a Memorial from the resident inhabitants within the Shire of Cranbourne, praying the House to have a line of railway constructed from Dandenong to Hastings *viâ* the land surveyed through the Cranbourne district.
Memorial read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Industrial and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Inspector, for the year 1877.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Berry presented—
Remuneration to Members of Parliament.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 11th December 1877, for a return of the names of all Members of Parliament who have left this Colony since the principle of payment of Members has been established; the time of their absence; the amount of remuneration received by them during such absence; and whether any legal opinion has been given upon the subject, and, if so, by whom; and all correspondence which has passed relative thereto; also, the names of all Members, if any, who have refused to accept such payment.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Buffing-Springs.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 19th September last, for a return showing the cost to the Government of the last large buffing-springs and bearing-springs imported from England, including duty and all other charges.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
7. TELEGRAPHIC CABLE DUPLICATION.—Mr. Service moved, by leave of the Assembly, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Memorandum entered into between the Governments of the Australasian Colonies and the Eastern Extension Company for the duplication of the Telegraphic Cable.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. INSECTIVOROUS BIRDS PROTECTION BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to protect insectivorous and other birds.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to protect Insectivorous and other Birds,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 8th October instant.
9. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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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10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*”
- “ *Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Melbourne University Extension of Powers—Message from His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Lien upon Growing Crops Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Report of Select Committee—To be considered in Committee.*”

Assembly adjourned at half-past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., and the same was read and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor. *Message No. 11.*

The 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 authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes."
 Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 30th September 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. S.S. "VICTORIA."—Mr. Service moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House copies of any correspondence between the Honorable the Chief Secretary and Staff-Commander Stanley, relative to the statement made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary as to the condition of the *Victoria* when handed over to the Chief Harbor Master by Captain Stanley; also, the notes of any evidence taken on inquiry into the facts of the case.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
5. SUPREME COURTS JUDGMENTS BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to render judgments which have been obtained in the Supreme Court of any of the other Australian colonies effectual in Victoria.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to render Judgments which have been obtained in the Supreme Court of any of the other Australian Colonies effectual in Victoria,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 8th October instant.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government business, be postponed until after the consideration of the general business on the paper for to-day.
7. DIFFERENTIAL RATING BILL.—Mr. D. Cameron moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Councils of municipal districts to impose extra rates in particular subdivisions.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. D. Cameron and Mr. A. T. Clark do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. D. Cameron then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Councils of Municipal Districts to impose extra rates in particular subdivisions,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 9th October instant.
8. POSTAGE RATES.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the postage upon all letters delivered within the colony of Victoria shall be at the uniform rate of one penny.
 (2.) That all newspapers printed and published in this colony should be post free, and that they should leave the colony by rail or steamer free—having been read—
 Debate resumed.

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Mr. Sharpe moved, as an amendment, that after the word "House" in line 1 of proposed resolution the following words be inserted, viz., "from and after the 1st day of January 1880."

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That, in the opinion of this House, from and after the 1st day of January 1880 the postage upon all letters delivered within the colony of Victoria shall be at the uniform rate of one penny—put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Billson,	Sir B. O'Loghlen, Bart.,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. R. Clark, (Sandhurst)	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Hunt,	
Mr. Laurens,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

Noes, 8.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. Service.
Mr. Bird,	
Mr. Kerferd,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir J. O'Shanassy,	Mr. Gillies,
Mr. Ramsay,	Mr. Bayles.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That all newspapers printed and published in this colony should be post free, and that they should leave the colony by rail or steamer free—by leave withdrawn.

9. ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION 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.
Sir Bryan O'Loghlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be committed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. MINING BOARDS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—"That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that Mining Boards be abolished"—having been read—Debate resumed.
Major W. C. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 9th October instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. MR. THUREAU.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—"That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1878 the sum of £600 towards defraying the cost of printing a mining report and diagrams, compiled by Mr. Thureau, on the latest discoveries of mining appliances"—having been read—Debate resumed.
Major W. C. Smith moved, That this debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, 9th October instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. WILLIAM MONIE'S CONTRACT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—"That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of William Monie, for works in connection with Contract No. 117, Victorian Water Supply; such Committee to consist of Mr. Mirams, Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Cook, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum"—having been read—Motion by leave withdrawn.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—
"Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,"
"Imprisonment with Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Charitable Trust Property Vesting Bill—Second reading,"
"Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"
"Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading," until Wednesday, 9th October instant;
"Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading," until after the consideration of the next Order for to-day.
14. INGLEWOOD AND GIPPSLAND RAILWAY CONTRACTS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Report from the Select Committee on the Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts having been read—On the motion of Mr. Bent, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received Wednesday, 9th October instant.

15. **OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Service moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate continued.
 The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until Wednesday, 9th October instant.
16. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Transfer of Land Statute' with regard to Easements,*" without amendment.
 (Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
 President.
 Legislative Council Chamber,
 Melbourne, 2nd October 1878.
- 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 Six hundred and thirteen thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and 'nine,'*" without amendment.
 (Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
 President.
 Legislative Council Chamber,
 Melbourne, 2nd October 1878.
- MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Mining for Gold and Silver on Private Property,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
 (Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
 President.
 Legislative Council Chamber,
 Melbourne, 2nd October 1878.
17. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.**—Major W. C. Smith moved, That the Bill, transmitted by the above Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for Mining for Gold and Silver on Private Property,*" be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 16th October instant.
18. **BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with reference to Bankers' Books Evidence.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law with reference to Bankers' Books Evidence,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 8th October instant.
19. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Nimmo moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government business, 1 to 5, be postponed until after the consideration of the 6th Order for to-day.
21. **CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration, Tuesday, 8th October instant.—Bill, as amended, to be printed.
22. **LIEN UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole Assembly for reconsideration.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Tuesday, 8th October instant.—Bill, as further amended, to be printed.
23. **JURIES STATUTE 1876 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration, Tuesday, 8th October instant.—Bill as amended to be printed.

24. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of Orders of the Day, 3 to 6, be postponed until after the consideration of the 7th Order for to-day.

25. MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OF POWERS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 9, having been read—On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

26. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

- " *Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Ballarat Public Gardens Land Vesting Bill (2)—Second reading,*"
- " *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*"
- " *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"
- " *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*"
- " *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
- " *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second Reading.*"

Assembly adjourned at five minutes to eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

THURSDAY, 3RD OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Dixon moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 12.

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 apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirteen thousand pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight and nine.”

“An Act to amend the ‘Transfer of Land Statute’ with regard to Easements.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd October 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the requirements of the 57th section of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made out of the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson’s Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd October 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole on Tuesday, 8th October instant.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Patterson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Australian Steam Postal Service.—Advertisement, forms of Tender, and conditions for the performance of a Steam Postal Service.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 63. GEELONG WATER SUPPLY. Subdivision No. 1.			Salary of Office.			£	£
						Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
						£	£ s. d.	£		
1	Clerk	...	...	...	...	275		
1	Rate Collector	...	...	...	...	200		
1	Clerk and Assistant Rate Collector	...	...	...	...	120		
1	Housekeeper	...	...	...	...	26		
4			SALARIES	...	...	...	...	621	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.										
			Stores, Stationery, Fuel, Light, and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	150	
			Total Division No. 63	...	...	...	...	771	
			The sum of	...	...	...	...	...	371
DIVISION No. 64. MISCELLANEOUS.										
Allowances to the undermentioned late Officers :—										
PUBLIC WORKS.										
			D. McLean	...	...	...	£62 12 0	63	
			J. Garrett	...	...	...	...	150	
			Wm. Hargrave	...	...	...	...	130	
			John Fallaize	...	...	...	...	52	
			J. T. Hislop	...	...	...	£86 13 4	87	
			R. Jardon	...	...	...	46 12 3	47	
MELBOURNE WATER SUPPLY.										
			Andrew McHarg	...	...	...	£135 5 0	136	
			Richard Matthews	...	...	...	...	90	
			William Bell	...	...	...	...	100	
			James William Wemyss	...	...	...	£67 5 10	68	
ROADS AND BRIDGES.										
			J. W. Crawley	...	...	...	...	230	
			Francis Riley	...	...	...	£242 10 0	243	
Compensation to the following Officers, &c., at the rate of one month's pay for each year of service :—										
			Thomas Andrews Eaton, late Travelling Superintending Inspector of Works, Public Works Department	...	...	...	£726 12 0	727	
			Sydney Moore, late Clerk, Public Works Department	...	...	...	165 6 3	166	
			William Oxenham, late Clerk, Public Works Department	...	...	...	72 1 9	73	
			Charles Rowand, late Engineer, Roads and Bridges Department	...	...	...	1,437 17 0	1,438	
			Michael Casey, late of the Melbourne Water Supply Department	...	...	...	£67 1 4	68	
			Compensation to men who have been transferred to the Harbor Trust, and subsequently lost their employment	...	...	...	...	3,500	
			Total Division No. 64	...	...	...	...	7,368	
			The sum of	...	...	...	...	...	808

DIVISION No. 65.	£	£
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
Subdivision No. 1—(<i>Inalterable.</i>)		
WHARVES, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.		
No. 1. Dredging operations, Borings, and other Harbor Improvements in the colony, outside the jurisdiction of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, including repairs to and stores for Steam Dredges and other Plant, the Landing and Spreading of Silt, also Surveys and Borings for information required by Sir John Coode ...	15,000	
2. Towards clearing the rivers Goulburn and Murray ...	4,600	
3. Repairs and additions to Jetties, Approaches, &c., Geelong	3,000	
4. Repairs and additions to Wharves, Sheds, Jetties, and approaches throughout the colony ...	3,500	
5. Repairs and additions to Jetty, &c., Portland ...	7,000	
6. For erection of a Jetty at Lorne ...	1,000	
7. For extensions, &c., of Jetty at Rye ...	800	
8. For Jetty at Settlement Point, Western Port ...	300	
9. For extension, &c., of Jetty, St. Kilda ...	3,000	
10. For Wharf on River Goulburn, at Seymour ...	300	
11. For Wharf on River Goulburn at Shepparton ...	200	
12. For Wharf on River Murray at Swan Hill ...	250	
13. Extension of Wharf, &c., Bairnsdale ...	300	
14. Harbour Improvements, Warrnambool ...	2,700	
15. Removal and re-erection of Life-boat-shed, Warrnambool ...	500	
16. Cutting Slopes and Piling Approach to Jetty, Sorrento ...	200	
17. For a Jetty at Grantville ...	550	
	43,200	
Subdivision No. 2.		
POLICE BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Police Buildings, and other works for Police, including transport, furniture, repairs, and additions ...	20,000	
Subdivision No. 3.		
GAOLS AND PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS.		
No. 1. Buildings, repairs, and other works for Gaols, Penal Buildings, Hulks, &c., including fittings, furniture, and fencing ...	9,000	
Subdivision No. 4.		
LUNATIC ASYLUMS.		
No. 1. Repairs and other works at Lunatic Asylums throughout the colony, including fittings, furniture, and fencing ...	4,500	
Subdivision No. 5.		
REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.		
No. 1. Repairs and additions to Buildings and other works for Department of Industrial and Reformatory Schools, including fittings, furniture, and fencing ...	3,000	
Subdivision No. 6.		
COURT HOUSES.		
No. 1. For the erection of Court Houses for the holding of Courts of Assize, General and Petty Sessions, County Courts and Courts of Mines, and for Sheriffs' and Keepers' Quarters, including repairs and additions, fittings, furniture, and fencing ...	20,000	
Subdivision No. 7.—(<i>Inalterable.</i>)		
LIGHTHOUSES AND LIGHTSHIPS.		
No. 1. Repairs, additions, and other works for Light-houses, Keepers' Quarters, and Lightships, including fittings, furniture, and fencing (exclusive of Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, and Goose Island) ...	2,000	
2. Towards a new Lighthouse at King's Island, Quarters, &c.	11,000	
3. New Lighthouse and apparatus at north end of West Channel to replace present Lightship ...	3,500	
4. Light and Signal Staff entrance Gippsland Lakes ...	600	
5. Towards a new Lighthouse at Cape Nelson ...	1,000	
	18,100	

	£	£
WORKS AND BUILDINGS—continued.		
Subdivision No. 8.		
POWDER MAGAZINES, ETC.		
No. 1. For the erection of and repairs and additions to Powder Magazines, Buildings for Storage of Explosive Compounds, and Keepers' Quarters throughout the colony, including fittings, furniture, and fencing	3,000	
Subdivision No. 9.		
LANDS AND AGRICULTURE.		
No. 1. Buildings and repairs and additions to Buildings under the Department of Lands and Agriculture, including fittings, furniture, and fencing, and works in Botanical Gardens and Government House Domain	6,500	
Subdivision No. 10.		
TREASURY BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Buildings, repairs, additions, &c., at Receipt and Pay Offices throughout the colony, including fittings, furniture, and fencing	3,000	
Subdivision No. 11.—(Inalterable.)		
SUNDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE.		
No. 1. Additions, repairs and other works at Parliament Buildings, including fittings, furniture, ventilating, lighting, and fencing (to be recouped out of a future Loan)	45,000	
2. Repairs, Glass Cases, Fittings, and Furniture for Public Library, and National Gallery, and Museums	1,000	
3. Repairs and additions to Government Printing Office ...	1,500	
4. Towards completion of the New Public Offices, &c. (to be recouped out of a future Loan)	13,000	
	60,500	
Subdivision No. 12.—(Inalterable.)		
POST OFFICES AND TELEGRAPH STATIONS.		
No. 1. Erection of and repairs and additions to Post and Telegraph Offices throughout the colony, including fittings, furniture, and fencing	30,000	
2. Additions and repairs, New General Post Office, including fittings and furniture	2,500	
	32,500	
Subdivision No. 13.—(Inalterable.)		
FENCES AND REPAIRS TO FENCES, ETC.		
No. 1. Fencing Public Buildings, Sites, and Reserves under control of Government, including repairs, &c.	1,000	
2. Fencing Police Paddocks and Buildings, including repairs ...	1,500	
3. Fencing Cemeteries	1,500	
	4,000	
Subdivision No. 14.—(Inalterable.)		
RENTS AND FURNITURE, ETC.		
No. 1. Rents of Public Buildings and Offices for the use of the Government, and Allowances for rent in lieu of quarters	15,000	
2. Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices and Buildings, including repairs and transport	8,000	
	23,000	

		£	£
WORKS AND BUILDINGS—continued.			
Subdivision No. 15.—(Inalterable.)			
MILITARY BUILDINGS, ETC.			
No. 1.	For Military Buildings, Batteries, Barracks, Quarters, Offices, and other works, including additions, repairs, fittings and furniture, and repairs and additions to drill rooms ...	1,000	
2.	Removal, &c., of Rifle Butts from Emerald Hill to Williamstown	5,000	
3.	Purchase of Land at Williamstown for Rifle Butts ...	17,560	
		23,560	
Subdivision No. 16.—(Inalterable.)			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No. 1.	Towards the erection of an Industrial Exhibition Building ...	50,000	
2.	Repairs and additions to Public Works and Buildings, including laying on gas and water ...	5,000	
3.	New Time Ball and Apparatus at Lighthouse, Williamstown	120	
4.	Towards completing Government Works at Caledonia Channel, Ballarat East ...	1,500	
5.	Balance of Contract and Completion of Government Works, Main Drain, Richmond ...	1,200	
6.	Towards completing Government Works at Back Creek Channel, Taradale ...	1,000	
7.	Completing Government Works at Stormwater Channel, Dunolly	2,000	
8.	For Stormwater Channel at Tarrawingee ...	1,500	
9.	For draining and reclaiming West Melbourne Swamp ...	5,500	
10.	Towards improving Lake Wendouree, Ballarat ...	500	
11.	For opening-up Quarries and testing Freestone ...	300	
12.	Outlet of Kananook Creek, including purchase of Land ...	1,200	
13.	Other Public Works ...	1,500	
14.	Cutting Channel (including purchase of Land and Fencing) to turn a portion of the Broken River into the Broken Creek	500	
15.	Drainage of the Government Land between the Footscray and Macaully roads, at the north end of the West Melbourne Swamp	4,300	
16.	To assist the Borough Council of Sandhurst for the improvement of the Bendigo Creek, on the condition that the like sum be expended by them from their own funds ...	2,500	
17.	Purchase of Land, &c., to protect the River Merri from the encroachment of sand, Warrnambool ...	350	
18.	Repairing and Fencing Soldiers' Graves, Ballarat ...	150	
19.	Clocks for Public Buildings at Echuca, Daylesford, Maryborough, and Castlemaine ...	1,400	
20.	Towards Clock at Public Buildings, Hotham ...	350	
21.	Storm-water Channel at Huntly, Bagshot, and Goornong ...	2,000	
22.	Drainage Works, upper end of Lagoon, Sandridge ...	1,000	
23.	Insurance of sundry Government Buildings ...	350	
24.	Filling up Quarry Holes, Carlton ...	4,600	
25.	Filling up and Channelling Gully, Royal Park and Flemington Road ...	1,150	
26.	Filling and Drainage Works at Swamps south of St. Kilda Railway, between St. Kilda and Emerald Hill ...	5,000	
27.	Towards Military Road between St. Kilda and Sandridge ...	2,000	
28.	Towards Drainage Works near Gaol, at Ballarat ...	175	
29.	Towards improvement of Forest Creek Channel, from Mount street to North street, Chewton ...	500	
30.	Completion of Drainage Works, north-east end of Albert Park	700	
31.	Towards completion of Stormwater Channel, Eaglehawk ...	500	
32.	Maintenance of Old Cemetery, Melbourne, including Wages, Tools, &c. ...	300	
33.	Quarters and Yards for Inspectors of Stock along boundary of Colony ...	2,000	
34.	Towards improving Lake Learmonth ...	200	
35.	To assist the Fitzroy Council in completing Main Drain from Carlton to Smith street, on condition that an equal amount is expended by the Council ...	1,000	
36.	Towards Drainage of St. Kilda Swamp, West Beach, on condition of the Borough Council contributing like amount ...	2,000	
		104,345	
Total Division No. 65 ...		378,205	
the sum of... ..		...	228,205

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

6. MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OF POWERS.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—
(2nd October 1878.)
Resolved, That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to extend the powers and benefits of the University of Melbourne.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Pearson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.
7. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE EXTENSION OF POWERS BILL.—Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to extend the powers and benefits of the University of Melbourne,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 10th October instant.
8. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 8th October instant.
Mr. James also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 8th October instant, again resolve into the said Committee.
9. FISHERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lalor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Lalor moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Lalor, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time Tuesday, 8th October instant.
10. BALLARAT PUBLIC GARDENS LAND VESTING BILL (2).—Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time Tuesday, 8th October instant.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 8th October inst.:—
"Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,"
"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,"
"Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,"
"Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"
"Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"
"Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
"Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,"
"Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading."
12. MR. W. R. MERRY.—Mr. Mirams moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the grounds, terms, and conditions upon which the compromise said to have been effected between the Crown and the contractors, or their representatives, for the construction of the Geelong and Ballarat Railway was arranged; further, whether such grounds of compromise were legitimate, and whether such terms and conditions were duly complied with by the parties to the said compromise; and also whether in such terms and conditions and their fulfilment or otherwise the just claims of each and all the contractors were fully provided for and satisfied; and otherwise to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. W. R. Merry in relation to the said contract; such Committee to consist of Mr. Casey, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Bell, Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst), Mr. A. K. Smith, Mr. Orr, Mr. Pearson, Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart., and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers; the Committee to have leave to sit upon days when the House does not meet.
Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, as an amendment, That the words "whether such grounds of compromise were legitimate" be omitted from line 4 of the above motion.
Debate ensued.
Amendment by leave withdrawn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-two minutes past six o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Longmore, and the same was read, and is as follows:—
 G. F. BOWEN, *Message No. 14.*
Governor.
 In accordance with the 57th section of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends that an Appropriation be made for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the suppression of the rabbit nuisance.
 Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 8th October 1878.
 Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly to-morrow.
 The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Major W. C. Smith, and the same was read, and is as follows:—
 G. F. BOWEN, *Message No. 15.*
Governor.
 In accordance with the 57th section of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the drainage of the Durham and Sebastopol leads, and for other purposes.
 Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 8th October 1878.
 Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly to-morrow.
3. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Langridge, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Select Committee to which this Bill was referred.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—
 Local Bodies—Loans.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 11th July last, for a return showing the amounts borrowed by, and total present indebtedness of local bodies in the colony (including those of Melbourne and Geelong) and specifying in respect of each of such loans, the date, duration, purpose, amount, rate per cent., security, and amount of principal and interest, if any, paid off in reduction.
 Telegraphic Cable Duplication.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 1st October instant, for a copy of the Memorandum entered into between the Governments of the Australasian Colonies and the Eastern Extension Company for the duplication of the Telegraphic Cable.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Service moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
6. ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That the Attorneys, Solicitors, and Proctors Admission Bill be referred for consideration and report to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. J. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Graves, Mr. Macgregor, Dr. Madden, Mr. Ramsay, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; with power to send for persons and papers.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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7. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES, 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read, and are as follow :—

(3rd October 1878.)

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878-9, for the several services hereunder specified, being :—

1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

	£	£
DIVISION 65A.		
DEFENCE WORKS.		
Towards the erection of Forts in Port Phillip Bay and providing armament in accordance with the recommendation of Sir Wm. Jervois	65,711	
The sum of ... ..	...	53,711
—		
DIVISION No. 66.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
ROADS AND BRIDGES.		
1. For the construction and maintenance of Roads and Bridges outside the boundaries of Municipalities	4,000	
2. Moiety of cost of maintaining the Albury Bridge and Wodonga Flat Road	1,000	
3. Construction, &c., of Harrietville and Omeo Road, Bright and Omeo shires	2,000	
4. Road between Cape Otway and Camperdown, Clearing, Bridges, and other works	820	
5. To reinstate Bridges damaged by floods within Bacchus Marsh Shire	1,000	
6. To assist the Borough Councils of Footscray and Williamstown in the cost of construction of a Bridge across Stony Creek, on the road from Melbourne connecting the Boroughs, on condition that the navigation of the creek be not impeded by such bridge... ..	1,500	
7. Road between Traralgon Station and South Gippsland, Clearing, Side-cutting, and other works	1,000	
8. Bridges over LaTrobe and Thomson Rivers, Clearing Road on west bank of Thomson River, and Snagging Rivers	2,500	
9. Repairs to Carisbrook Bridge	250	
10. Towards new Bridge over Watts River, near Healesville	200	
11. Towards repairs, &c., to Delaney's Road; and LL Road, Nunawading	600	
12. Road between Pakenham Station and Gembrook, Clearing, Side Cuttings, and other works	500	
13. Maintenance, Melbourne to Wood's Point Road	1,500	
14. Road from Bairnsdale to Omeo, by Tambo Valley, Bairnsdale Shire	750	
15. Repairs to Vaughan Bridge	250	
16. Road from Warrigal Railway Station to Brandy Creek Coach Road, 4½ miles	500	
17. Road from Warrigal Railway Station to McDonald's Track, 15 miles	600	
18. Road from Little Moe Railway Station to Coach Road near Sutcliffe's, 9½ miles	400	
19. Road from Drouin Railway Station to Brandy Creek, 5½ miles	300	
20. Road from Drouin Railway Station to Whiskey Creek, 3¾ miles	300	
21. Road from Drouin Railway Station to Lardner's and McDonald's Track, 15½ miles	300	

	£	£
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES—continued.		
22. Road from Drouin Railway Station to Bass Road, Western Port, 18 miles	500	
23. Road from Bunyip Railway Station to Main Gippsland Road, 2½ miles	100	
24. Road from Moe Railway Station to McDonald's Track, 5 miles	200	
25. Road from Moe Railway Station by Wood's Track to McDonald's Track, 10 miles	500	
26. Road from Little Moe Railway Station to McDonald's Track, 5½ miles	500	
27. Road from Sunny Creek Railway Station to McDonald's Track, 6 miles	500	
28. To clear McDonald's Track towards Cranbourne	300	
29. Completion of Beenak Road from Boundary of Berwick Shire towards Hathaway	500	
30. Road leading from Wodonga Railway Station to Bethanga ...	500	
31. Road, Moe to Walhalla, and to connect Donnelly's Creek with Aberfeldy	1,000	
32. Towards discharging liabilities incurred by municipalities in anticipation of receipts from Tolls	10,000	
33. To clear and form portion of the Queenstown and Yea Road, known as Black Calf Gully	200	
34. Towards erection of Bridge at Breakneck, Mount Franklyn Shire	1,500	
35. New Bridge over Worrie Yaloak Creek at Claxton's, near Beenak	450	
36. Track alongside Dargo River, between Louisville and Dargo ...	500	
37. Road, Mansfield to Wood's Point, Howqua Shire	200	
38. Towards Main Road, Tallarook to Yea	100	
39. Embankment, &c., Box Bridge, Wood's Point Road ...	107	
40. Clearing, Draining, &c., Road from Marysville to Alexandra ...	80	
41. Repairs to Thomson River Bridge, on Road from Toongabbie to Walhalla	203	
42. Repairs to Tobin Yallock Bridge, Shire of Cranbourne ...	300	
43. Towards Preparation of Plans and Estimates for a new Bridge over the Yarra at Swanston street	300	
44. Towards Road from Village of Mitta Mitta to Granite Flat, Shire of Toowong	100	
45. Towards Repairs to Newbridge Bridge, Borough of Tarnagulla	150	
46. Towards Cutting Track, &c., through Cape Otway Forest to Coast near Apollo Bay	800	
Total Division No. 66	39,860	
The sum of ... ..	...	23,860

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£	
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum			
			£	£ s. d.	£	£	£	
DIVISION No. 67.								
CUSTOMS.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
1	1	1	Assistant Commissioner of Trade and Customs, also Collector of Customs, Melbourne	1,000
1	2	...	500	16 13 4	600	600	600	
1	2	...	500	16 13 4	600	600	525	
1	3	...	375	18 6 8	485	485	403	
1	4	...	200	25 0 0	350	350	350	
1	5	...	80	16 13 4	180	180	180	
1	...	3	...	...	...	...	75
1	...	3	...	...	...	...	66
8							3,199	
Subdivision No. 2.								
MELBOURNE.								
<i>Indoor.</i>								
1	2	...	Collector (<i>see</i> Assistant-Commissioner)			600
1	2	...	500	16 13 4	600	600	600	
1	2	...	...	...	...	...	525
3	3	...	375	18 6 8	485	485	1,446	
11	4	...	200	25 0 0	350	350	3,650	
10	5	...	80	16 13 4	180	180	1,542	
1	...	3	...	...	...	...	175
5	...	3	25/	...	45/	...	379	
<i>Outdoor.</i>								
2	2	...	Landing Surveyor and Assistant Landing Surveyor			500	16 13 4	600
10	3	...	375	18 6 8	485	485	4,823	
5	4	...	200	25 0 0	350	350	1,750	
26	...	3	Lockers—		
			235	...	275	275	3,235	
			150	...	225	225	2,675	
8	...	3	...	...	200	200	1,600
38	...	3	110	...	175	175	5,580	
121							29,172	

† With quarters, fuel, and water.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			£	£ s. d.	£		
CUSTOMS—continued.							
Subdivision No. 3.							
WILLIAMSTOWN.							
1	3	...	Tide Inspector and Emigration Officer*	375 18 6 8	485	476	
4	4	...	Tide Surveyors ...	200 25 0 0	350	1,288	
7	...	3	Tide Waiters—				
			Three ...	160	200	||615	
			Four ...	130	150	590	
4	...	3	Coxswains, at per diem ...	9/6	†10/	730	
16	...	3	Boatmen, at per diem ...	7/6	†8/	2,227	
32						5,926	
Subdivision No. 4.							
GEEELONG.—Indoor.							
1	3	...	Collector of Customs ...	375 18 6 8	485	485	
1	4	...	Warehouse-keeper and Locker ...	200 25 0 0	350	350	
2	5	...	Clerks ...	80 16 13 4	180	260	
Outdoor.							
1	4	...	Landing Waiter ...	200 25 0 0	350	350	
2	...	3	Weighers ...	150	185	335	
1	...	3	Tide Waiter ...	...	...	150	
1	...	3	Messenger and Housekeeper †	...	...	140	
9						2,070	
Subdivision No. 5.							
OTHER STATIONS.							
3	3	...	Collectors of Customs ...	375 18 6 8	485	1,373	
3	4	...	Collectors of Customs and Landing Waiters (one with allowance of £1 1s. per week) ...	200 25 0 0	350	1,055	
1	4	...	Landing Waiter ...	"	"	313	
1	...	3	Coast Waiter ...	...	...	325	
1	...	3	Coast Waiter, at per week, with allowance of £1 1s. per week ...	...	3	212	
4	...	3	Messengers, at per week ...	12/6	30/	255	
13						3,533	
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.							
Allowances for special services to Customs Officers and others in the Protection of the Revenue ...						500	
Unclassified Officers—One at £326 per annum ...						326	
Others, at per week, from £1 to £7 ...						3,500	
Clerical Assistance ...						1,100	
Allowance to Tide Waiter acting as Clerk ...						50	
For carrying out the provisions of the Weights and Measures Statute...						100	
Stores, including new Boats ...						525	
Fuel, Light, and Water, Travelling and Incidental Expenses ...						800	
						6,901	
Total Division No. 67...						50,801	
The sum of ...						...	30,801

* With quarters.—† With quarters, fuel, and water.—‡ Includes 6d. per diem to men who have served 10 years.—|| Includes £55 allowance as Acting Tide Surveyor during absence on leave of Tide Surveyor.

Number	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.				£	£
			Minimum	Annual Increment.		Maximum		
			£	£	s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 68.								
PORTS AND HARBORS, IMMIGRATION, MERCANTILE, MARINE, AND FISHERIES.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
MELBOURNE (including Williamstown).								
*1	1	1	Chief Harbor Master,† Immigration Agent, Superintendent of Mercantile Marine Office, Melbourne, and Inspector of Fisheries ... ..	...	...	...	700
1	3	...	Secretary for Harbors and Navigation	375	18	6 8	485	
*1	2	...	Engineer Surveyor, and Inspector of Machinery for the Public Works Department	500	16	13 4	600	
1	5	...	Clerk	80	16	13 4	180	
1	...	...	Surveyor of Shipping under Part 5 of the Passengers, Harbors, and Navigation Statute 1865, at Melbourne and Sandridge, and Examiner under the Steam Navigation Board ‡ ... ..	...	...	...	300
1	...	3	Messenger, at per week ... ..	...	...	25/	66
1	...	3	Lighthouse Mechanic, at per working day ... ..	...	...	14/	220
3	...	3	Artisans and Mechanics, at per working day ... ..	...	...	10/	470
4	...	3	Boatmen, at per diem	7/6	...	9/	575	
1	...	3	Laborer, at per working day ... ..	...	...	7/6	118
2	...	3	Assistants to Artisans, at per working day ... ..	...	...	6/6	204
*1	2	...	Superintendent of Dockyard and Patent Slip	500	16	13 4	600	
1	...	...	Engineer, at per week of six working days ... ..	...	...	120/	313
2	...	...	Firemen, at per working day ... ..	...	...	8/	251
1	...	...	Gatekeeper and Dock Laborer, at per diem † ... ..	...	...	7/6	137
1	...	...	Watchman at Dockyard ... ..	...	...	...	128
1	4	...	Clerk || ... ..	200	25	0 0	350	
2	5	...	Clerks || ... ..	80	16	13 4	180	
1	...	3	Messenger, acting as Clerk || ... ..	...	...	100	100
27							6,074	

* Professional.—† With quarters.—‡ Previously at £200 from 1st October 1877 (exclusive of fees).—In 1878-9 they are to be paid over to Revenue.—|| Transferred from Distilleries, &c., Division No. 69, Subdivision No. 1.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£	
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.			
PORTS AND HARBORS— <i>continued.</i>			£	£ s. d.	£			
Subdivision No. 2.								
OTHER PORTS.								
2	...	3	Harbor Masters (also Pilots)	...	250	...	275	525
5	...	3	Senior Boatmen, at per diem	...	...	...	8/6	776
14	...	3	Boatmen, at per diem	...	...	...	7/6	1,917
1	...	3	Signalman, at per diem *	...	...	...	6/6	119
22								3,337
Subdivision No. 3.								
POINT LONSDALE.								
1	...	3	Signal Master and Lightkeeper †	...	...	...	...	200
1	...	3	Assistant, at per diem †	...	...	...	6/6	119
2								319
COAST AND HARBOR LIGHTS. ‡								
Subdivision No. 4.								
<i>Cape Otway and Cape Schanck.</i>								
2	...	3	Keepers	...	...	...	200	400
4	...	3	Assistants, at per diem	...	7/6	...	8/6	594
6								994
Subdivision No. 5.								
<i>Gabo Island and Wilson's Promontory.</i>								
2	...	3	Keepers—One at £200 and one at £180	} Included in Sub-division No. 12.				
3	...	3	Assistants, at per diem, 8s. 6d.					
1	...	3	Assistant, at per diem, 8s.					
6								
Subdivision No. 6.								
<i>Shortland's Bluff and Swan Spit.</i>								
(Three Lights.)								
1	...	3	Keeper	...	...	...	...	200
6	...	3	Assistants, at per diem	...	...	...	7/	767
<i>Warrnambool, Portland, Belfast, and Port Albert.</i>								
8	...	3	Keepers, at per diem	...	7/	...	8/6	1,132
<i>South Channel.—(Two Lights.)</i>								
4	...	3	Keepers, at per diem	...	7/	...	8/6	539
19								2,638

* With quarters and fuel.—† With quarters, light, and water.—‡ The officers and men employed in coast and harbor lights are allowed quarters, light, and water; and at Gabo Island, Wilson's Promontory, Swan Spit, South Channel, and the Lightships, fuel, in addition.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 68. PORTS AND HARBORS— <i>continued.</i>	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			Subdivision No. 7. LIGHT VESSELS.					
1	...	3	Master ... ..	...	...	...	160	
1	...	3	Mate ... ..	...	...	...	140	
9	...	3	Seamen, at per diem	6/6	...	8/6	1,251	
11			Subdivision No. 8. BUOY AND LIGHTHOUSE TENDER. <i>S.S. Pharos.</i>				1,551	
1	...	3	Master* ... ..	...	...	...	260	
1	...	3	Engineer,* at per diem ... ..	...	...	14/	256	
...	Wages of Crew* ... ..	...	...	...	1,132	
2							1,648	
			SALARIES				16,561	
			Subdivision No. 9.—CONTINGENCIES. Providing and Repairing Buoys, Beacons, and Moorings; also Repairs to Lightships, Lighting Apparatus, and <i>s.s. Pharos</i>				1,500	
			Fees to Members of Steam Navigation Board				250	
			Allowance to Shipwright Surveyor				100	
			Remuneration to Crews of Life Boats, and for extraordinary Services, and to meet Expenses caused by Marine Casualties				300	
			Clerical Assistance, extra Labor for Graving Dock, Repairs to Dredges, Steam Tugs, &c.				2,300	
			For carrying out the Fisheries Act †				600	
			New Boats, Materials for Repairs to Boats, Boat Stores, &c.				300	
			Stores and Ship Chandlery, including Coals for Marine Yard Graving Dock and Patent Slip				1,500	
			Fuel, Light, and Water, Travelling and Incidental Expenses				450	
			Oil, Wicks, and Glasses				1,300	
							8,600	
			Subdivision No. 10. Wharf and Jetty Lights				600	
			Subdivision No. 11. † Maintenance of six Coast Lights, including expenditure upon buildings (under the superintendence of the Public Works Department), viz.:—Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, and King's Island				3,700	
			Subdivision No. 12. PASSAGES OF IMMIGRANTS. For Payment of Passages of Immigrants, for whom Warrants are current, and for Expenses connected with Emigration business				‡500	
			Total Division No. 68				29,961	
			The sum of ... ..				...	19,461

* All with rations.—† The expenditure for these Lights is borne by the Governments of New South Wales, Tasmania, and Victoria, and the above estimate is prepared upon the basis of amount of tonnage of vessels using the lights, and is only for the portion payable by Victoria.—‡ Consequent on the transfer from Distilleries.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 69. DISTILLERIES AND EXCISE.	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			Subdivision No. 1.					
1	3	...	Chief Inspector of Distilleries	375	18 6 8	485	485	
6	...	3	Inspectors of Distilleries ... ..	...	...	300	1,800	
1	...	3	Inspector of Distilleries ... ..	...	...	250	250	
3	...	3	Inspectors of Distilleries ... ..	...	...	200	600	
2	...	3	Inspectors of Distilleries ... ..	...	...	175	350	
1	...	...	Messenger, at per week ... ..	...	...	25/	66	
20	...	3	Inspectors of Licensed Premises and Liquors	175	...	200	† 3,550	
34			SALARIES				7,101	

Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.				£	£
Additional Officers and extra Clerical Assistance, when required	...	...	...	200	
Stores, Instruments and Repairs to Instruments	...	...	...	60	
Rewards for Discovery of Illicit Distillation and Expenses connected therewith	...	...	...	50	
Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling and Incidental Expenses	...	...	...	150	
For carrying out the Licensing Act 1876	...	...	...	‡ 2,450	
				2,910	
Total Division No. 69				10,011	
The sum of				...	6,411

† See †.

‡ In addition to £3,550 for salaries.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 70.				Salary of Office.			£	£
			POWDER MAGAZINES.				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			Subdivision No. 1.				£	£ s. d.	£		
			SALTWATER RIVER.								
1	...	3	Keeper*	...	...	...	...	...	200		
1	...	3	Cooper, at per diem†	...	...	...	...	10/	183		
1	Laborer, at per diem†	...	...	...	...	7/6	137		
3										520	
			Subdivision No. 2.								
			FOOTSCRAY.								
1	Keeper, at per diem†	...	...	...	...	10/	183		
1										183	
			SALARIES							703	

Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.

Allowance, with quarters, to Officer in charge at Geelong	...	10
Stores, Fuel and Light, Travelling and Incidental Expenses	...	50
		60
Total Division No. 70	...	763
The sum of	...	...
* With quarters, fuel, and light.		† With quarters.

DIVISION No. 71.

MARINE SURVEY	...	2,000
The sum of	...	1,000

DIVISION No. 72.

MISCELLANEOUS.		
Allowance to John Warden, per annum, in addition to Pension, to equal half salary (£27 7s. 6d.)	...	28
The sum of	...	14

IX.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 73.								
POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
MELBOURNE.								
1	1	...	Deputy Postmaster-General and Secretary*	...	...	...	1,000
			Allowance to Acting Deputy Postmaster-General, from 17th September 1877 to 31st March 1878	...	...	...	108
1	1	...	Inspectors of Postal and Telegraph Service	700	...	800	800	
1	1	...	Controller (Money Order and Savings Banks)	...	...	...	700
1	1	...	Assistant Secretary and Chief Clerk	...	...	...	650
1	2	...	Telegraph Manager	500	16 13 4	600	600	
1	2	...	Superintendent of Mail Branch	"	"	"	600	
1	2	...	Accountant†	"	"	"	542	
1	2	...	Inspector of Postal and Telegraph Service	"	"	"	525	
1	2	...	Examiner (Money Order and Savings Banks)	500	16 13 4	600	525	
1	3	...	Cashier	375	18 6 8	485	485	
1	3	...	Inspector of Dead Letters	"	"	"	485	
7	3	...	Clerks	"	"	"	3,212	
1	3	...	Printer, and in charge of Stores	"	"	"	485	
1	3	...	Assistant Telegraph Manager	"	"	"	485	
1	3	...	Assistant Examiner (Money Order and Savings Banks)	"	"	"	458	
54	4	...	Clerks	200	25 0 0	350	15,600	
1	4	...	Sub-Inspector of Postal and Telegraph Service	...	...	350	350
8	5	...	Clerks	80	16 13 4	180	1,440	
5	5	...	Operators	"	"	"	900	
1	...	3	Inspecting Foreman of Works	...	...	...	300
38	...	3	Assistant Operators	70	...	200	5,650	
25	...	3	Assistant Clerks	60	...	150	2,200	
21	...	3	Inland Mail Despatching Officers, at per week (not exceeding)	...	...	65/	3,300
1	...	3	Office-keeper and Despatch Clerk	...	...	...	200
1	...	3	Gas Engineer	...	...	...	180
1	...	3	Instrument Fitter, at per week	...	...	102/	267
43	...	3	Sorters, at from 51s. per week to £180 per annum	51/	...	180	6,578	
2	...	3	Printer's Assistants, at per week	60/	...	90/	392	
1	...	3	Mail Master, at per week	...	...	87/6	229
2	...	3	Overseers of Telegraph Lines, at per week	...	...	75/	392
5	...	3	Line Repairers, at per week	51/	...	57/	714	
2	...	3	Assistant Instrument Fitters, at per week	75/	...	80/	405	
2	...	3	Stampers, at per week	45/	...	57/	298	
37	...	3	Letter-Carriers, at per week	45/	...	57/	4,050	
27	...	3	Telegraph Messengers, at per week	24/	...	30/	1,800	
1	...	3	Telegraph Despatch Clerk	...	...	...	180
2	...	3	Office Messengers, at per week	...	...	45/	235
301							57,320	

* Also General Superintendent of Electric Telegraphs.—† Also Inspector of Stamps.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.					£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.			Maximum.		
			£	£	s.	d.	£		
301			POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES—continued.						
			Subdivision No. 2.						
			ALL OTHER POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.						
2	3	...	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers	375	18	6	8	485	943
17	4	...	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers	200	25	0	0	350	5,863
8	4	...	Clerks... ..	"	"	"	"	"	2,150
10	4	...	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers, under section 20 of 37 Vict. No. 455 (<i>Post Office Amendment Statute 1873</i>)	200	...	...	...	275	2,180
6	5	...	Postmasters and Telegraph Managers	80	16	13	4	180	1,080
3	5	...	Clerks... ..	"	"	"	"	"	540
2	5	...	Operators	"	"	"	"	"	335
62	...	3	Assistant Operators	70	...	...	...	200	8,500
10	...	3	Sorters, at per week	51/	...	...	...	180	1,650
11	...	3	Line Repairers, at per week	51/	...	...	...	57/	1,400
41	...	3	Letter Carriers, at per week	45/	...	...	...	57/	5,550
3	...	3	Signalmen (Queenscliff, Cape Otway, and Wilson's Promontory) at per week ... ..	...	...	...	...	59/6	466
72	...	3	Telegraph Messengers, at per week... ..	24/	...	...	...	30/	4,550
247									35,207
548			SALARIES AND WAGES ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	92,527

Subdivision No. 3.

CONTINGENCIES.

Extra Clerks employed in Post Office Savings Bank, Money Order Office, and other branches ...	100	...	200	3,000
Female Assistants for Postal and Telegraph business	20	...	120	3,550
Wages to Supernumerary Instrument Fitters, Instrument Fitter's Assistant, Carpenters, Night Watchman, and Constables, at per week	30/	...	84/	1,740
Assistant Sorters, at per week	18/	...	45/	5,195
Assistant Line Repairers (Town and Country), at per week	45/	...	48/	1,000
Assistant Stampers, at per week	36/	...	42/	308
Assistant Letter-Carriers, at per week	36/	...	42/	10,500
Assistants in Printing Office and Stores, at per week	36/	...	55/	1,155
Mail Boatmen, at per week	52/6	...	59/6	566
Assistant Telegraph Messengers, at per week	12/	...	20/	4,350
				31,364

NOTE.—Postmasters and Telegraph Managers in the country, Officers in charge of branch Stations, and Office-keepers are allowed quarters, fuel, and water.

NOTE.—The wages of Sorters, Line Repairers, Stampers, Letter-Carriers, and Telegraph Messengers have been provided for in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council on the 6th March 1874.

NOTE.—Sorters travelling with Mails receive an allowance.

NOTE.—The wages of Assistant Sorters, Assistant Line Repairers, Assistant Stampers, Assistant Letter-Carriers, and Assistant Telegraph Messengers have been provided for in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council on the 6th March 1874.

POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES—*continued.*

Subdivision No. 4—CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Allowances to Country Postmasters, including Commission for conducting Telegraph business	44,000	
Overtime to Officers and others engaged in despatching the European Mail inwards and outwards, and when otherwise unavoidably employed at night, and under authority of the Regulations approved by the Governor in Council 6th March 1874 ; also	9,300	
Allowances to Assistant Operators and others when in charge of stations		
Supernumerary Sorters, and others on the old Establishment to whom the Regulations for the new Establishment do not apply;	12,000	
Additional and Occasional Assistance to provide for the absence of Letter-Carriers and others on the Staff, through sickness, and when on leave ; also		
To meet other exigencies and unforeseen requirements		
Bonus Allowances to Operators for special service, and for skill in operating ; and	1,300	
Bonus Allowances to Assistant Sorters and others in lieu of pay if absent on gazetted holidays,* or for recreation, and on account of sickness		
Special Allowances to Manager Electric Telegraph Station, Melbourne, in lieu of quarters, at £100 ; to Postmasters at Wood's Point at £80, and Walhalla at £50	230	
Allowance to Inspector of Railway Telegraph Lines, for collecting moneys on behalf of the Department	50	
Stores, Stationery, Ironmongery, Safes, Seals, and Stamps, &c., &c. ...	8,500	
Maintenance of Lines, including Purchase, Hire, and Forage of Horses	3,750	
Fuel, Light, and Water	4,200	
Telegraph Instruments, Battery Materials, Tools, &c.	3,500	
Travelling Expenses, including Allowance to one Inspector of Post and Telegraph Service, at not exceeding £300, and Allowances to one Inspector and one Sub-Inspector of Postal and Telegraph Service, at not exceeding £250 per annum each, and	2,800	
Allowances of 10s. a day each to two Overseers of Telegraph lines while travelling		
Clothing for Letter-Carriers and Telegraph Messengers	2,620	
Mail Bags and Boxes	2,150	
Commissions on transactions in Post Office Savings Banks and Money Order Offices	1,200	
Expenses of Landing and Shipping Mails	200	
Gratuities to Masters of Vessels for conveying Californian and Torres Straits Mails to Melbourne, at the rate of one penny per letter, not provided for in <i>Post Office Statute 1866</i>	200	

* *Vide Regulations approved by the Governor in Council, 6th March 1874.*

	£	£
POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES—<i>continued.</i>		
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES—<i>continued.</i>		
Iron Receiving Pillars	300	
Contribution towards the Maintenance of the Telegraph Station at Albury, at £200 per annum, payable to the Government of New South Wales, and towards maintenance of the Telegraph Station, Mount Gambier, at £300 per annum, payable to the Government of South Australia, and towards the maintenance of the Telegraph Station at Flinders, at £150 per annum, payable to the Tasmanian and Victorian Submarine Telegraph Company	650	
Moiety of Salary due by the Government of Victoria for services rendered by the Telegraph Operator at Gabo Island	52	
Exchange upon Remittances to England on account of English Postage, Money Orders, &c.	500	
Incidentals, including Cleaning Offices, Cesspits, &c.; also Carriage of Stores	1,800	
	99,302	
Total CONTINGENCIES	130,666	
SALARIES AND WAGES brought forward ...	92,527	
Total Division No. 73	223,193	
The sum of	133,193
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DIVISION No. 74.		
TELEGRAPH LINES.		
Extension, Repairs, and Alterations, Renewing Poles, Transferring Lines to routes of New Railways, including Iron Telegraph Poles, Wire, Insulators, Fittings, &c., for Telegraph Poles, and Telegraph Materials for stock	24,200	
The sum of	15,200
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DIVISION No. 75.		
MAIL SERVICE.		
Conveyance of Inland Mails	110,000	
The sum of	70,000

X.—COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.	
£	£	s.	d.	£	£		
DIVISION No. 77.							
RAILWAYS.							
Subdivision No. 1.							
SALARIES.							
1	Secretary	...	...	...	900
1	Traffic Manager...	...	...	...	800
1	Accountant	...	...	...	700
1	Chief Clerk	...	...	...	600
1	Telegraphic Engineer	...	...	...	500
72	Station Masters	...	137	...	350
130	Clerks, Telegraph Operators, &c.	...	50	...	600
1	Messenger	...	...	187/10	188
SALARIES							40,451
Subdivision No. 2.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
Traffic Staff, at from 2/6 to 14/6 per diem							42,000
Temporary Laborers, Police, and others, at daily wages							67,000
Working Expenses—Salaries, Wages, and Services...							145,000
Maintenance—Salaries, Wages, and Services							133,000
Gatekeepers...							25,000
412,000							
Gratuities in cases of Officers retired, reduced, dispensed with, injured or killed or who have died whilst in the discharge of their duties							1,000
Compensation—Traffic							6,175
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, Insurance on Buildings, &c.							7,500
Advertising							2,500
Stores, Plant, and Material							200,375
Total CONTINGENCIES							629,550
Total Division No. 77...							670,001

DIVISION No. 78.

RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION.

	£	£
1. Footscray—Culvert under Line	750	
2. Little River—Water Supply, &c.	1,800	
3. West Geelong—Passenger Platform, &c.	1,123	
4. Lethbridge—Water Supply, &c.	500	
5. Geelong and Ballarat Line—Erection of four Gatehouses	420	
6. Yendon Station—Extension of Platform, Shed, &c.	205	
7. Ballarat East—Construction of Wood Siding, &c.	1,500	
8. Ballarat Station—Additions, &c., to Station	2,000	
9. Ditto—Erection of Engine Shed	3,000	
10. Ditto—Alterations and Additions to Lines of Way in Station Yard	1,000	
11. Ditto—To complete Sheep and Cattle Yards	1,400	
12. Ballarat to Stawell Line—Additional Rooms to 51 Gatehouses	3,060	
13. Burrumbeet Station—Approaches to Goods Sheds, &c.	102	
14. Ararat Station—Alterations, &c.	1,000	
15. Sunbury Station—Construction of new Platform, &c.	260	
16. Macedon Station—Additions to Platforms, &c.	150	
17. Chewton Station—Passenger Platform and Accommodation for Porter in charge	700	
18. Castlemaine Station—Alterations, &c.	1,500	
19. Clunes Station—Sheep and Cattle Yards, &c.	250	
20. Maryborough Station—Alterations to Buildings, &c.	2,500	
21. Sandhurst Station—Ditto, ditto	1,000	
22. Ditto—Erection of New Engine Shed, &c.	6,000	
23. Ditto—Erection of Blacksmith's Shop, &c.	760	
24. Goornong Station—Additional Accommodation, &c.	500	
25. Elmore Station—Ditto, and Water Supply	1,000	
26. Rochester Station—Ditto, &c.	600	
27. Echuca Station—Additions to Cattle Yards, &c.	200	
28. Ditto—Additional Siding Accommodation, &c.	1,500	
29. Sandhurst to Echuca Line—Erection of 14 Gatehouses	1,470	
30. North-Eastern Line—Erection of Station Buildings, &c., at Essendon, Broadmeadows, Longwood, Euroa, Violet Town, and Springs	4,200	
31. Wallan—Erection of Bridge over drain leading from North-Eastern Railway Gate, No. 16	60	
32. Seymour Station—Additional Siding Accommodation, &c.	300	
33. Chiltern—Additions to Water Supply	1,000	
34. Wodonga—Ditto	1,750	
35. Composition Pavement for various Station Platforms... ..	500	
36. Geelong—Purchase of Materials for Permanent Way—New Lines of Way in Station Yard	2,561	
37. To recoup the "Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account" amount expended on Construction of a Road leading from the Main Dandenong Road to Oakleigh Station	707	
38. Laying Water on to Kangaroo Flat Station	32	
39. Telegraph Instruction Room at Melbourne	153	
40. Removal and Re-erection of Pier-master's House at Williamstown	94	
41. Lengthening Platforms at Footscray, Yarraville, Williamstown Junction, and North Williamstown Stations	73	
42. Engine Shed at Beechworth	57	
43. Additions, &c., to Lal Lal Platform	40	
44. Ditto—To Avenel Platform	30	
45. North Melbourne—Two additional Sidings for Sheep Trucks	845	
46. Clunes Station—Through Crossing	177	
47. Geelong and Melbourne Line—Three additional Gatekeeper's Cottages	279	
48. Ditto—Additional Room to Two-roomed Gate Lodge	30	
49. Geelong and Ballarat Line—Four additional Gatekeeper's Cottages	420	
50. Ditto—Additional Room to Two-roomed Gate Lodge	60	
51. Ararat Station—Additions and Alterations to Passenger Station	96	
52. Creswick Station—Ditto	101	
53. Beaufort Station—Ditto	110	

	£	£
RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION—continued.		
No. 54. Stawell Station—Ditto	134	
55. Warrenheip Station—Ditto	15	
56. Erecting 25 Wooden Cottages, &c., for Gatekeepers, on Sandhurst and Echuca Line	1,704	
57. Additions, &c., Echuca	898	
58. Construction of Sidings to Gravel Pits, Tallarook	886	
59. Putting in new Sidings, Station Yard, Seymour	685	
60. Coursing and Volunteer Platform at Bolinda	294	
61. Lal Lal—Additions, &c.	96	
62. Creswick—Ditto	424	
63. Footscray—Planting Trees, Railway Reserve	100	
64. Gheringhap—Platforms, &c.	180	
65. North Williamstown—Siding for Six Trucks	305	
66. Williamstown Line—Platform and Gate Lodge at Stony Creek	234	
67. Ditto—Lowering Culvert, &c.	150	
68. To complete Telegraph Communication on the North-Eastern Line	1,848	
69. Additions to Smith's Shop, Williamstown	450	
70. Williamstown Station—New Lamp Room	130	
71. Barnawartha Station—Verandah, &c.	150	
72. Erection of Coal Stage, &c., Williamstown Line	120	
73. Melbourne Station—Sidings, &c.	1,946	
<i>(To be recouped out of a future Loan.)</i>		
74. Construction of Lines of Telegraph, Melbourne to Castlemaine, Melbourne to Ballarat, and Ballarat to Castlemaine	5,756	
75. Geelong and Melbourne Line—Four Gatekeepers' Cottages	400	
76. Ballarat—Two Gatekeepers' Cottages	200	
77. Erection of Gasworks at Stations	2,500	
78. Construction of Siding for Loading Powder on Main Line near Footscray	350	
Total Division No. 78	69,880	
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DIVISION No. 79.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Allowances to Officers late of Railways—		
J. J. Hewitt	300	
James Down	250	
J. B. Blackbourne	219	£218 15 0
John Jeremy	125	
J. Calvert	125	
J. Lyall... ..	243	£242 10 0
A. Wells, from 9th January 1878, at £500	740	739 4 11
C. S. Gell, from 13th March 1878, at £150	196	195 3 2
B. Law, from 1st August 1878, at £78 5s.	72	
Allowances and Compensation to Officers whose services have been or may be dispensed with	11,060	
Total Division No. 79	13,330	
Total Divisions Nos. 77, 78, 79	753,211	
The sum of ... ..	...	444,211

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£	
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum			
			£	£ s. d.	£			
DIVISION No. 80.								
MINING DEPARTMENT.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
1	1	...	Secretary for Mines and Chief Mining Surveyor			900		
1	3	...	Lithographer			485		
1	4	...	Clerk and Draftsman			350		
						1,735		
Subdivision No. 2.								
1	...	...	Chief Clerk and Accountant			475	
26	...	...	Clerks and Draftsmen			5,217	
1	...	...	Geological Surveyor, at per diem			626	
1	...	...	Draftsman			300	
2	...	...	Lithographic Printers and Assistants 5/			360	
1	...	...	Inspector under Act No. 592; also reporting on leased lands			209	
1	...	...	Crown Lands Bailiff			183	
3	...	...	Inspectors of Mines, at salaries £4 per wk.			718	
10	...	...	Inspectors of Mines, at annual allowances 25			340	
52	...	...	Mining Surveyors and Mining Registrars, at annual allowances ... 5			2,800	
2	...	...	Wardens' Clerks, at salaries ... 200			500	
17	...	...	Wardens' Clerks, at annual allowances 10			415	
7	...	...	Clerks to Mining Boards			850	
6	...	...	Keepers of Mining Board Offices ... 10			104	
1	...	...	Powder Magazine Keeper, at salary			150	
21	...	...	Powder Magazine Keepers, at annual allowances ... 10			315	
1	...	...	Messenger			120	
2	...	...	Office-keepers			190	
						13,872		
155								
158								
Subdivision No. 3.								
Allowance to Analyst and Chief Inspector, under Act 592						200		
Allowance for Dusting Specimen Cases						10		
Allowance to Crown Lands Bailiff in lieu of Forage						80		
Allowance to Office-keeper in lieu of quarters						20		
To provide for Salaries and Allowances of Mining Registrars and other Officers whom it may be found necessary to appoint during the course of the year, and for Unforeseen and Incidental Expenses of every description, and for Outstanding Claims						600		

						£	£
MINING DEPARTMENT—continued.							
Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES—continued.							
Expenses of Prosecutions under Act No. 583	...	...	...	...	...	120	
For Analyses under Act No. 592	...	...	...	...	...	50	
Special Allowance to Mining Surveyors for Reporting on Lands, in proportion to services rendered	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Expenses of Mining Board Elections, &c., and Miscellaneous Expenses of Mining Boards	...	...	...	...	...	400	
Stores, Books, Safes, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	400	
Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	...	...	100	
Travelling Expenses of Officer reporting on Leased Lands	...	...	...	...	...	400	
Travelling Expenses		
						2,580	
Total Division No. 80						18,187	
The sum of						...	11,947

And the said resolution was read a second time,

On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, the said sum of £11,947 was reduced to the sum of £10,947.

And the said resolution, as so amended, was agreed to by the Assembly.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum	
			£	£ s. d.	£	
DIVISION No. 81.						
VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY.						
Subdivision No. 1.						
OFFICE STAFF—MELBOURNE AND COUNTRY.						
4	Clerks ...	...	...	1,000
1	Superintendent of Water Supply at Sandhurst	...	...	350
1	Clerk and Collector at Sandhurst	...	...	275
1	Collector at Castlemaine	...	...	215
3	Engineering Clerks, at per diem	5/	10/	337
10						2,177

Number.							Salary of Office.			£	£	
							Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.			
							£	£ s. d.	£			
VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—												
<i>continued.</i>												
Subdivision No. 2.—OUT-DOOR STAFF.												
<i>Coliban.</i>												
2	Inspectors, at per week	...	...	...	...	...	105/	...	...	547
12	Reservoir and Channel keepers, at per week	...	...	...	40/	...	...	76/6	...	1,687
3	Turncocks and Assistants	...	...	...	50/	...	...	60/	...	444
<i>Geelong.</i>												
1	Inspector, at per diem	...	...	...	...	...	...	15/	...	236
1	Turncock, at per week	...	...	...	...	...	...	60/	...	157
2	Reservoir-keepers, at per week	...	...	...	...	...	...	50/	...	261
21										3,332		
Subdivision No. 3.												
Clerical and Professional Assistance, Forage and Travelling Allowances, Travelling Expenses, Wages, and Incidentals											385	
Labor and Material, Stores, Travelling Expenses, and Contingencies in connection with—												
Coliban Works											2,000	
Geelong Works											1,000	
											3,385	
Total Division No. 81											8,894	
The sum of	5,184
DIVISION No. 82.												
GOLDFIELDS RESERVOIRS.												
Construction, Maintenance, Repairs, and all other Expenses, and for Subsidies to Local Bodies to aid them in constructing, enlarging, or repairing Reservoirs or other Water Supply Works											2,500	
The sum of	1,575

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

DIVISION No. 83.				£	£
MISCELLANEOUS.					
No. 1. Cutting Tracks and opening up Areas unexplored	...	...	...	1,000	
No. 2. In aid of Mining Schools, contingent upon the scheme of management being approved of by the Government. (To be divided in proportion to the amounts received by each school from subscriptions, donations, and fees from Students during the year 1878)	...	...	...	2,000	
No. 3. Underground Surveys of Mines	...	...	...	500	
Gratuity to the Widow of the late James Burnside, being the amount of Salary withheld from Mr. Burnside during the period when he was unable through illness to discharge his duties as Clerk to the Sandhurst Mining Board	...	...	...	63	
Compensation to Unclassified Officers of the Mining Department whose services have been recently dispensed with	...	...	...	3,716	
Total Division No. 83				7,279	
The sum of ...				...	2,679

And the said resolution was read a second time.

Mr. Berry moved, That the House agree with the Committee in the above resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

DIVISION No. 85.				£	£
PROSPECTING FOR GOLDFIELDS.					
No. 1. For the purchase of three Diamond-drill Rock-boring Machines, with Engines, Rods, &c., complete, including also freight, insurance, passage, and pay of man in charge	...	...	...	4,924	
No. 2. For Expenses of working above Drills	...	...	...	1,000	
No. 3. To assist in the development of the Mining Industry by loan or otherwise, in accordance with regulations published in the <i>Government Gazette</i>	...	...	...	19,742	
Total Division No. 85				25,666	
The sum of ...				...	9,517

On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, the Assembly ordered the above resolution to be recommitted to the Committee of Supply for reconsideration.

8. LIEN UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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 Bryan O'Loughlen, read a third time and *passed*.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“An Act to permit Liens to be given upon Growing Crops.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

“Juries Statute 1876 Amendment Bill—Consideration of report.”

10. JURIES STATUTE 1876 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole Assembly for reconsideration.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

11. BALLARAT PUBLIC GARDENS LAND VESTING BILL (2).—On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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 Major W. C. Smith, read a third time and *passed*.

Major W. C. Smith moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“An Act to vest a piece of land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens
“in the Minister of Public Instruction.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

12. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 13, having been read—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

13. CONSTITUTION ACT ALTERATION AND AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

Mr. Casey moved, pursuant to notice, That the following new clause be now read, viz. :—

“It shall be the duty of the Returning Officer for every electoral district to forward immediately upon the receipt of authority to hold a poll a postal card to every elector whose name appears on the rolls then in force stating when the poll will take place, the particular question to be decided thereat, and the polling-place where such elector may record his vote.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And the said clause was agreed to by the Assembly and added to the Bill.

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 of the Assembly had noted the amendment made on the consideration of the Report—Mr. Berry moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 50.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Lalor,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Laurens,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. R. Clark, (Sandhurst)	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Dow,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Fergusson.	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Graves.	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Ince,	
Mr. James,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Johnstone.	Mr. A. T. Clark,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

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Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Bent,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Casey,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Francis,	
Mr. Gaunson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. Moore.
Mr. MacBain,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“An Act to alter and amend the ‘Constitution Act’ and to provide a mode of settling
“differences between the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—

- “*Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Third reading,*” until Thursday, 10th October, instant;
- “*Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 15th October instant;
- “*Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—Second Reading,*”
- “*Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Bankers’ Books Evidence Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow;
- “*Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*” until Thursday, 10th October instant;
- “*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*” until to-morrow;
- “*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*” until Thursday, 10th October instant;
- “*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow;
- “*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 22nd October, instant.

16. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four o’clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at five minutes to eleven o’clock until to-morrow at four o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.
—
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented—
S.S. *Victoria*.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 2nd October instant, for copies of any correspondence between the Honorable the Chief Secretary and Staff-Commander Stanley, relative to the statement made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary as to the condition of the *Victoria* when handed over to the Chief Harbor Master by Captain Stanley; also the notes of any evidence taken on inquiry into the facts of the case.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Grant presented—
Proclamations under Licensed Publicans Act.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 14th August last, for a return showing—
(1.) The number of proclamations issued under the 44th section of the Act No. 566 since the said Act came into operation and the date of each.
(2.) The names of the localities affected by such proclamations.
(3.) The number of new licenses issued in each locality under the said proclamations.
(4.) The special circumstances which induced the action taken in each locality.
(5.) The name of the responsible Minister who tendered the advice in each case on which a proclamation was issued.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Langridge moved, pursuant to notice, That the Report from the Select Committee upon the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill be now taken into consideration.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Amendment in clause 5, line 3, to insert after “Railway” “at Elsternwick,” read by the clerk.
Question—That the House agree with the Committee in the above amendment—proposed.
Debate ensued.
The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o’clock stood adjourned until after the consideration of the Government business on the paper for this day.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
“Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,”
“Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
“Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,”
“Coroners’ Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,”
“Sessional Business—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,”
“Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,”
“Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,” until after the consideration of the Government business on the paper for to-day ;
“Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,” until Wednesday, 23rd October instant ;
“Mining Boards—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,” until Wednesday, 16th October instant ;
“Charitable Trust Property Vesting Bill—Second reading,” until after the consideration of the Government business on the paper for to-day ;
“Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
“Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,” until Wednesday, 23rd October instant ;
“Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported,”
“Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,” until after the consideration of the Government business on the paper for to-day.
5. SEBASTOPOL PLATEAU DRAINAGE.—Mr. Bell moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House the report of Mr. Murray on the drainage of the Sebastopol plateau.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government Business, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until after the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee on the Rosstown Junction Railway Bill.

(775 copies.)

7. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Assembly agree with the Select Committee in the amendment in clause 5, line 3, of this Bill—having been read,

Question—That the Assembly agree with the Committee in such amendment—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And the several other amendments were read a second time, and agreed to by the Assembly.

8. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES, 1878–9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions which were read, and are as follow :—

(8th October 1878.)

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878–9, for the several services hereunder specified, being :—

1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.		Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
DIVISION No. 61.								
PUBLIC WORKS.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
1	1	...	Secretary for Public Works and Water	...	...	...	800	
			Supply	...	...	...	525	
1	2	...	Accountant	500	16 13 4	600	1,345	
3	3	...	Clerks	375	18 6 8	485	213	
1	4	...	Clerk	200	25 0 0	350	180	
1	...	3	Messenger and Office-keeper *	...	...	...	120	
1	...	...	Assistant Messenger	...	...	...
<i>Professional.</i>							3,183	
1	1	1	Inspector-General of Public Works and Chief Engineer Melbourne	...	...	...	900	
			Water Supply	...	...	...	575	
1	2	...	Chief Assistant Architect	...	...	...	509	
1	2	...	Assistant Architect	...	...	...	385	
1	3	...	Draftsman	375	18 6 8	485	600	
1	2	...	Travelling Superintending Inspectors of Works	500	16 13 4	600	440	
1	3	...	Travelling Superintending Inspector of Works	375	18 6 8	485	1,200	
4	...	3	Inspectors of Works †	...	...	300		
18	...	...					4,609	
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.								
Temporary Assistance by Clerks, Draftsmen, Surveyors, &c., including all Salaries of the late Roads and Bridges Department							5,250	
Travelling Expenses (including Roads and Bridges)							1,100	
Travelling Allowance to two Travelling Superintending Inspectors of Works, at £250 each per annum							500	
Lithographing, Printing Bills of Quantities, &c., and Mounting Plans							200	
Stores—Printed Books, &c.							350	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses							250	
							7,650	
Subdivision No. 3.								
GOVERNMENT HOUSE AND NEW GOVERNMENT OFFICES.								
1			Caretaker of State Rooms, Government House, 45s. per week	...	...	...	118	
			Gas and Water for Government House and Grounds	...	...	...	800	
1			Resident Keeper of New Government Offices	...	...	...	250	
			Wages of Night Watchman, Laborers, Charwomen, &c., for New Government Offices	...	...	...	650	
			Water and Gas for New Government Offices	...	...	...	500	
2							2,318	
Total Division No. 61							17,760	
The sum of							...	10,360

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† The wages of other Inspectors of Works are included in the estimates for the work they superintend.

VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 56. PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			Subdivision No. 1.	£	£ s. d.	£		
1	...	...	Curator of Metropolitan Parks and Gardens * ... ..	...	...	400	200	
6	...	3	Parkkeepers †—					
			Two ... ..	...	...	125	250	
			Four ... ..	...	...	100	400	
7	...	...				
			Wages of Gardeners and Laborers in Parliament House Garden, Treasury Garden, Albert Park, and Studley Park				1,050	
							1,900	
			Subdivision No. 2.—(Inalterable.)					
			No. 1. Maintenance and Improvement of the Parliament House Garden, Treasury Garden, Albert Park, and Studley Park (Road Metal, Gravel, Black Soil, Timber, Pipes, Supply of Lamps and Gas, Gas Lime and Tar to Treasury Garden, Dray-labor, Purchase and Repair of Tools, and Forage for Cart-horses in connection)				872	
			No. 2. Maintaining and Improving the following Gardens and Parks, jointly vested in the Board of Land and Works and the City Council of Melbourne, on the understanding that an equal sum be contributed by such Council for the year commencing on 1st July 1878, viz.:— Fitzroy Gardens, Flagstaff Garden, Carlton Garden, Yarra Park, Fawkner Park, Prince's Park, Flinders Park, Lincoln Square, Argyle Square, Curtain Square, Macarthur Square, Murchison Square, and University square, (one-half of this amount will be repaid to the Treasury by City Council)				6,000	
			Total Division No. 56				8,772	
			The sum of	5,272
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Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 57. BOTANICAL AND DOMAIN GARDENS.	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
			Subdivision No. 1.	£	£ s. d.	£		
1	2	...	Curator of Botanical and Domain Gardens ‡	500	16 13 4	600	525	
1	...	...	Clerk ... ..	...	...	220	220	
			Wages of Gardeners, Laborers, Engine-driver, Sunday Watchmen, and Rewards to Orphan Boys				4,900	
							5,645	
			Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.					
			Cartage of Stone, Gravel, Earth, and Manure				550	
			Purchase of Seeds and Plants, including useful Trees				160	
			Sundry Works for improvement of Gardens, and Purchase of Stores, Timber, Pipes, Bricks, &c., and Coal for Engine and Hothouses				840	
			Forage for Cart-horses, and Shoeing				90	
			Purchase of Books				20	
			Ploughing and Cartage of Earth, Manure, &c., also Work preparing new Ground				550	
							2,210	
			Total Division No. 57				7,855	
			The sum of ... ..				...	5,050

* With quarters, including allowance for providing and maintaining a horse, £80 per annum (half the sum to be paid from Vote of £6,000 for maintaining Parks, &c.).—† With cottage accommodation.

‡ With quarters.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	DIVISION No. 58.	Salary of Office.			£	£
				Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
				£	£ s. d.	£		
			AGRICULTURE, FORESTS, AND INDUSTRIES.					
			Subdivision No. 1.					
1	2	...	Secretary for Agriculture ...	500	16 13 4	600	600	
1	4	...	Manager of Agricultural College and Experimental Farm reserves* ...	200	25 0 0	350	300	
1	...	...	Inspector of State Forests and Overseer of State Nurseries ...	...	...	...	285	
1	...	...	Superintendent of State Forest Plantations ...	...	...	...	315	
2	...	...	Clerks ...	115	...	215	330	
1	...	...	Messenger* ...	...	...	...	120	
7							1,950	
			Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.					
			For expenses in connection with the Conservation of Forests in Goldfield districts ...				2,000	
			Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ...				150	
			Travelling Expenses ...				400	
			Labor, Purchase of Tools, Stores, Carriage and Planting of Trees in State Nurseries on Mount Macedon, Forage for Cart-horses, and Incidentals ...				1,000	
							3,550	
			Subdivision No. 3.					
			Labor, Fencing, Purchase of Stock, Implements, Stores, Seeds, Forage, and Contingencies in Agricultural College and Experimental Farm reserve ...				3,000	
			Fencing, Clearing, Ploughing, Sowing, and Building in State Forests, and on other Crown lands ...				1,130	
			Purchase of Seeds ...				100	
			Preparing and publishing Report ...				100	
							4,330	
			Total Division No. 58				9,830	
			The sum of				...	5,710
			* With quarters.					
			DIVISION No. 59. GRANTS IN AID.					
			No. 1.—To Agricultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ...				7,500	
			No. 2.—For Fencing and Improving Public Parks and Gardens under the control of Borough Councils, Trustees, Committees of Management, &c., to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ...				9,000	
			And in the opinion of the Committee it is desirable that this item be increased by £3,000					
			No. 3.—In aid of the funds of the Horticultural Society of Victoria ...				250	
			No. 4.—To the Geelong Town Council, one half the expenses of Maintaining and Improving the Botanical Gardens, Geelong, for the year 1878, but not exceeding £1,000 ...				1,000	
			No. 5.—To Horticultural Societies; to be available under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ...				500	
			No. 6.—To satisfy certain Claims of the Bendigo Agricultural Society and the Horsham Agricultural Society ...				260	
			Total Division No. 59				18,510	
			The sum of				...	14,750

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

9. **RABBIT NUISANCE SUPPRESSION.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 14 having been read.—On the motion of Mr. Grant, Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered.—That the Report be received to-morrow.
10. **SEBASTOPOL AND DURHAM LEADS DRAINAGE.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 15 having been read.—On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered.—That the Report be received to-morrow.
11. **JURIES STATUTE 1876 AMENDMENT BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Grant, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Grant, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Grant moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—
“*An Act to amend the Juries Statute 1876.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered.—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **INSECTIVOROUS BIRDS PROTECTION BILL.**—Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the 6th and 7th Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the 8th Order for to-day.
14. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
Resolved.—That this House will, on Tuesday 15th October instant, again resolve into the said Committee.
15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 15th October instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under:—
“*Bankers' Books Evidence Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Sale—Resolution to be reported,*”
“*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 15th October instant;
“*Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”
“*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
“*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—resumption of debate,*”
“*Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”
“*Sessional Business—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*”
“*Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 16th October instant;
“*Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 23rd October instant;
“*Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
“*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported,*”
“*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 16th October instant.

Assembly adjourned at five minutes to eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 41.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Longmore, and the same was read and is as follows :—
Message No. 16.
G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

In accordance with the 57th section of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made of Royalties, Fees, and Penalties for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Management of the Forests of Victoria.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 14th October 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly, Thursday, 17th October instant.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Despatch respecting a Petition to the Queen from Mr. W. H. Gaunt, late Police Magistrate at Ballarat.
 Professor Pearson's Report—Despatch respecting.
 Despatch transmitting the opinion of the Law Officers in England respecting Moneys "legally available."
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Berry presented—
 General Elections 1871, 1874, 1877—Voters at.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated 17th July 1878, for a return showing the number of males in the colony of the age of 21 years and upwards, and of the number of electors voting, and of those who abstained from voting at the general elections held in the years 1871, 1874, and 1877, in the form hereunder set forth, viz. :—

GENERAL ELECTION OF 187___

Estimated Population of Victoria _____

Estimated number of Males of the age of twenty-one years and upwards _____

Electoral Districts.	Electors who Voted.										Electors who did not Vote.									
	Number of Names on the Rolls.	In Government or Local Government employment.	Professional Men and those engaged in Art, Science, and Literature.	Merchants, Bankers, Brokers, Agents, Auctioneers, &c.	Shop or Store keepers, Dealers, Shopmen, &c.	Clerks (not Government), Travellers, Salesmen, &c.	Hotel, Boarding-house keepers	Carriers (Goods or Passengers), Drivers, Railway Officials (not Government).	Boatmen, Sailors (not Government), Lumpers, &c.	Squatters, Graziers, &c.	Farmers.	Artisans, Mechanics, Manufacturers, &c.	Servants.	Laborers.	Miners.	Other pursuits.	No occupation stated.	Chinese.	Persons without Votes (Constables, Women, &c.).	Total
RATEPAYERS' ROLLS.																				
Total .																				
GENERAL ROLLS.																				
Total ..																				
Grand Total }																				

Ordered to lie on the Table.

(775 copies.)

Mr. Longmore presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Land Act 1869—Regulations.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Major W. C. Smith presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—

Mining Statute 1865—Order in Council revoking Order in Council authorising E. G. Walker and party to occupy for mining purposes Police and Public Recreation Reserves at Maldon.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Patterson presented—

Public Works Department—Officers.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 10th September last, for a list of all the persons employed in the professional and clerical branch of the Public Works Department on the 1st day of January last; also, a list of all the Inspectors of Works and their superintending officers employed at that date, distinguishing the classified and scheduled officers from the unclassified, the length of time they have been in the service, and the works they are now employed upon; also, all the persons who have been and are now employed in the different branches of the Department since that date, and the works upon which they are now engaged, and the age of each; also, a list of all the discharged servants on the 9th of January and subsequently in each branch of the Department and the length of service of each, distinguishing those who have received compensation from those who have not; also, the amounts of such compensation, their length of service, and whether any have been reinstated, and the age of each.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. RABBIT NUISANCE SUPPRESSION.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

(9th October 1878.)

Resolved—That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Suppression of the Rabbit Nuisance.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Longmore and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

5. RABBIT NUISANCE SUPPRESSION BILL.—Mr. Longmore then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Suppression of the Rabbit Nuisance,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 17th October instant.

6. SEBASTOPOL AND DURHAM LEADS DRAINAGE.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

(9th October 1878.)

Resolved—That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Drainage of the Durham and Sebastopol Leads and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

7. SEBASTOPOL AND DURHAM LEAD DRAINAGE BILL.—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Drainage of the Durham and Sebastopol Leads, and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 17th October instant.

8. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

(8th October 1878.)

Resolved, That an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

9. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 17th October instant.

10. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the conversion of Victorian Government Stock into Debentures,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, October 1878.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

"*Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Third reading,*" until Thursday, 17th October instant ;
 "*Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"
 "*Bankers' Books Evidence Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*" until to-morrow ;
 "*Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*"
 "*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*" until Tuesday, 22nd October instant ;
 "*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"
 "*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"
 "*Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,*" until to-morrow.

13. SPRINGVALE PROPOSED CEMETERY.—Mr. Bent moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House copies of all papers and correspondence with respect to the purchase of certain lands at Springvale for cemetery purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. MR. WHITAKERS.—Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House copies of the original application of Charles W. G. Whitakers, under sec. 19 of the Land Act, 1869, for 320 acres of land in the parish of Loy Yang ; also, the applications of Hall, Brown, Feely, and Long for the same land ; together with all minutes, memorandums, reports, and recommendations, and all other documents relating to the said applications.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty-four minutes to eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera), moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Johnstone presented a Petition from certain Carters and Draymen of the City of Melbourne, praying the House to entertain a proposal for prohibiting by law in Victoria the carrying by one horse of a greater load than thirty hundredweight, or to deal in such other manner as this House might think best with the evil set forth in the Petition.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Bent, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up the First Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Longmore presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Crown Lands Commission of Inquiry.—Progress Report on the Agricultural Settlement of the Country under the existing Land System, and upon all matters connected therewith; together with suggestions for an Amending Land Bill.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. THE ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Speaker having reported that the Clerk of the Assembly had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported from the Select Committee,
Mr. Langridge moved, That the 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. Langridge, the Assembly ordered that the figures 1877 be omitted from clause 1 of this Bill.
Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Langridge moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“*An Act to authorize the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
7. INSOLVENCY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend “*The Insolvency Statute 1871.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. F. L. Smyth and Mr. Dixon do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. F. L. Smyth then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Insolvency Statute 1871,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 23rd October instant.
8. MINING BOARDS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—“That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that Mining Boards be abolished”—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Motion by leave withdrawn.
9. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION 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—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Bent, the Assembly ordered that the Standing Orders of the Assembly be suspended, in order to allow him to move the appointment of the Committee this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bent then moved, That this Bill be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., Mr. MacBain, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Zox, Mr. Graves, Mr. L. L. Smith, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Barr, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, to report the evidence to the House day by day, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to form a quorum.

On the motion of Sir John O'Shanassy, the Assembly ordered that the words "to move from place to place" be omitted from the question.

Question—as so amended—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Gaunson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until Wednesday, 23rd October instant.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

"Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee," until Wednesday, 30th October instant;

"Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,"

"Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,"

"Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading,"

"Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading," until Wednesday, 23rd October instant;

"Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported," until this day;

"Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate," until Wednesday, 23rd October instant.

12. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

"Coroners' Inquests—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,"

"Sessional Business—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate."

13. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, pursuant to amended notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the construction of Railways by the State.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Berry do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the construction of Railways by the State*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Wednesday, 23rd October instant.

14. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

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

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

"Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,"

"Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Bankers' Books Evidence Bill—Second reading,"

"Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,"

"Supply—Resolution to be reported,"

"Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"

"Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"

"Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,"

"Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,"

"Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported."

Assembly adjourned at ten minutes to eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

THURSDAY, 17TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SANDHURST RAILWAY WORKS—MEN EMPLOYED AT.—Mr. R. Clark (*Sandhurst*) moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of men employed at the Sandhurst Railway works during the past three months, with the name of each ; also, all papers connected with such employment.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 22nd October instant.
4. DISEASES IN VINES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend and continue "*The Diseases in Vines Act 1877.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend and continue 'The Diseases in Vines Act 1877,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 22nd October instant.
5. PAPER.—Major W. C. Smith presented—
Sebastopol Plateau Drainage.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th October 1878, for the report of Mr. Murray on the drainage of the Sebastopol plateau.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the 1st Order be postponed until after the consideration of the 5th Order for to-day.
7. FORESTS' MANAGEMENT.—The Order of the day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 16 having been read—On the motion of Mr. Longmore, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 22nd October instant.
8. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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, 22nd October instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. **BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 22nd October instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. **TREASON AND FELONY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 22nd October instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 22nd October instant, again resolve into the said Committee.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 22nd October instant:—
“Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill—Second reading,”
“Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Third reading,”
“Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,”
“Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,”
“Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
“Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,”
“Supply—Resolution to be reported,”
“Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”
“Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,”
“Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,”
“Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
“Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,”
“Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading.”
13. **INGLEWOOD AND GIPPSLAND RAILWAY CONTRACTS.**—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—
 (2nd October 1878.)
 Resolved—That, in the opinion of the Committee, the fines inflicted on Mr. Doran by the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways should be remitted.
 And the said resolution was read a second time.
 Question—That the Assembly agree with the Committee in this resolution—proposed.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Bent moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 23rd October instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Assembly adjourned at twelve minutes to eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Patterson presented—
 Yan Yean Water Supply.—Cash Statement and Balance-Sheet, year ending 30th June 1878.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- Mr. Longmore presented—
 Lands required for Cemetery purposes at Springvale.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 15th October instant, for copies of all papers and correspondence with respect to the purchase of certain lands at Springvale for cemetery purposes.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- Mr. Woods presented—
 Rodney—Agricultural Implements and Produce.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 19th September last, for a return of agricultural implements consigned to stations between Sandhurst and Echuca, including the latter station, during the year 1877; also, a return of grain and other farm produce from the same stations to Melbourne during the same period.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. REFORM OF THE CONSTITUTION—CONFERENCE.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That a Committee, consisting of three Members, be appointed to confer with a similar Committee of the Legislative Council, on the subject of Reform of the Constitution, as discussed by both Houses during the present session, and that the Constitution Act Amendment Bill, and the Legislative Council Constitution Amendment Bill, be referred to such Committees; and that the Attorney-General, Professor Pearson, and the Mover, be the members of the Committee; and that the Committee have power to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
- Debate ensued.
- Mr. Bent moved as an amendment, that the words "Professor Pearson" be omitted from the above question, with a view to insert, instead thereof, the words "Mr. Richardson."
- Debate continued.
- Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
- Assembly divided.

Ayes, 46.

Noes, 2.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Berry,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Billson,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Hunt,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. James,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. King,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Young.
Mr. Lyell,	
Mr. MacBain,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. Bayles,
Dr. Madden,	Mr. A. T. Clark.

*Tellers.*Mr. Bent,
Mr. Gaunson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Question—That a Committee, consisting of three Members, be appointed to confer with a similar Committee of the Legislative Council, on the subject of Reform of the Constitution, as discussed by both Houses during the present session, and that the Constitution Act Amendment Bill, and the Legislative Council Constitution Amendment Bill, be referred to such Committees; and that the Attorney-General, Professor Pearson, and the Mover, be the members of the Committee; and that the Committee have power to sit on days on which the House does not meet—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have appointed a Committee, consisting of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the Honorable W. E. Hearn, and the Honorable Sir Charles Sladen, to confer with a similar Committee of the Legislative Assembly, on the subject of the Reform of the Constitution, as discussed by both Houses during the present session; and that the "*Bill to alter and amend the Constitution Act, and to provide a mode of settling differences between the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria,*" has been referred to such Committees.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 22nd October 1878.

5. REFORM OF THE CONSTITUTION—CONFERENCE.—Mr. Berry then moved, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have appointed a Committee of three Members to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council on the subject of the Reform of the Constitution as discussed by both Houses during the present session, and that the Bill to amend the Constitution Act, and the Bill to alter the Constitution of the Legislative Council, have been referred to such Committee.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 17.

The 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 authorize the conversion of Victorian Government Stock into Debentures.*"

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st October 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to vest a piece of Land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 22nd October 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council requests that the Legislative Assembly will be pleased to communicate to the Legislative Council copies of the Reports and Proceedings of the Select Committees of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction of the Ross-town Junction Railway, and for other purposes.*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 22nd October 1878.

On the motion of Mr. Langridge, the Assembly ordered copies of the Reports and Proceedings on the above Bill to be transmitted to the Legislative Council as requested by the above Message.

8. CROWN LANDS TENANTS, SOUTH SIDE OF YARRA.—Mr. Tucker moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the names of tenants of Crown lands on the south side of the Yarra, the area occupied by each, the annual rental payable for the same, the nature of the industry carried on on each of the leased allotments, the term and date of each lease, and whether renewable, and, if so, for what term; also, a copy of the forms of leases entered into by the Government with the lessees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, on the paper for to-day.

10. EDUCATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir J. O'Shanassy moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Gavan Duffy moved, That this debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Gavan Duffy moved, That this debate be now adjourned until Wednesday, the 30th October instant.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

“ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Fisheries Act Amendment Bill—Third reading,*”

“ *Forest Management—Resolution to be reported,*”

“ *Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Sale Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Bankers' Books Evidence Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Neglected and Criminal Children Law further Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Diseases in Vines Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”

“ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*”

“ *Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”

“ *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading.*”

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at seven minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of Victoria for the year 1877. Part VI.—Accumulation.
Observatory—Thirteenth Report of the Board of Visitors to the ; together with the Annual
Report of the Government Astronomer.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Wednesday, 30th October instant.—Bill as amended to be printed.
4. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS STATUTE 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.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate continued.
The debate not being concluded at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until Wednesday, 30th October instant.
5. ROYAL READER—EXPURGATIONS.—Mr. MacBain moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing all the words "expurgated," by order of the Education Department, from the "Nelson series" Royal Reader, recently introduced to our State schools; and also giving all the words substituted in the place of same.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. SUPREME COURT JUDICATURE BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the process, practice, and mode of pleading in, and to improve the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Victoria, and for other purposes connected therewith, and to erect a new Primary Court of Appeal.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the process, practice, and mode of pleading in, and to improve the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Victoria, and for other purposes connected therewith, and to erect a new Primary Court of Appeal,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Thursday, 31st October instant.
7. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUATION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen Bart., moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to continue various expiring laws.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to continue various Expiring Laws,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 29th October instant.

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8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
- “*Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill.—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 6th November next ;
 - “*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill.—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 30th October instant ;
 - “*Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 6th November next ;
 - “*Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill.—Second reading,*”
 - “*Insolvency Statute Amendment Bill.—Second reading,*”
 - “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*”
 - “*Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 30th October instant ;
 - “*Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow ;
 - “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”
 - “*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 30th October instant ;
 - “*Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*” until after the consideration of the ninth Order for to-day.
9. **FISHERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—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. Lalor, read a third time.
- On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the Assembly ordered the words “ports harbours” to be inserted before the word “lakes” in clause 2, line 11, and that the following words be added to clause 2, viz. :—
- “Provided that so far as regards such part of the sea nothing contained in this Act or the “*Fisheries Act 1873*” shall affect any ships, boats, or persons other than British ships, boats, or subjects.”
- On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the Assembly ordered that clause 3 be struck out from the Bill.
- On the motion of Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered that the following words, viz., “or places” be inserted after the word “waters” in line 2, clause 4 of this Bill.
- And, on the motion of Mr. Lalor, the Assembly ordered that the word “and” be omitted from clause 4, line 30, and that the following words be added to such clause, viz. :—
- “And to provide that, if any person having in his possession any fish as well as any net or fixed engine or any part thereof be found within half a mile of any river, creek, or stream, or of the distance from the mouth of any river, creek, or stream, within which nets and fixed engines are not to be used, such person shall be deemed to have used such net or fixed engine for the purpose of catching such fish in such river, creek, or stream, or such prohibited place, unless he prove the contrary to be the fact.”
- Question—That the Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. Lalor moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
- “*An Act to amend the ‘Fisheries Act 1873.’*”
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **FORESTS MANAGEMENT.**—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—
- (17th October, 1878.)
- Resolved—
- That an Appropriation be made of royalties, fees, and penalties, for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Management of the Forests of Victoria.
- And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
- Ordered—That Mr. Longmore and Sir Bryan O’Loughlen, Bart., do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.
11. **FORESTS MANAGEMENT BILL.**—Mr. Longmore then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the management of the Forests of Victoria,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 29th October instant.
12. **MELBOURNE AND HOBSON’S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Bankers' Books Evidence Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Neglected and Criminal Children Law further Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Diseases in Vines Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until this day ;
- “ *Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 29th October instant ;
- “ *Railway Construction Bill—Second Reading,*”
- “ *Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”
- “ *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,*” until this day.

Assembly adjourned at ten minutes past twelve o'clock until this day at two o'clock p.m.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

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OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 46.

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Patterson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Australian Steam Postal Service—Amended Advertisement, Forms of Tender, and Conditions for the performance of a Steam Postal Service.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Longmore presented—
Mr. Whittakers—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 15th October instant, for copies of the original application of Charles W. G. Whittakers, under sec. 19 of the Land Act, 1869, for 320 acres of land in the parish of Loy Yang; also, the applications of Hall, Brown, Feely, and Long for the same land; together with all minutes, memorandums, reports, and recommendations, and all other documents relating to the said applications.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time Tuesday, 29th October inst.
4. RABBIT NUISANCE SUPPRESSION BILL.—Mr. Longmore moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Longmore moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Longmore, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Tuesday, 29th October instant.—Bill as amended to be printed.
5. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Gaunson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That this debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 29th October instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 29th October instant:—
 - “Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Sale Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “Diseases in Vines Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Supply—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “Railway Construction Bill—Second Reading,”
 - “Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Supply—Resolution to be reported,”
 - “Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”
 - “Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Dover Abolition Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,”
 - “Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading.”

Assembly adjourned at twenty-seven minutes past six o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Richardson, chairman, brought up a Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the evidence, to be printed.
3. PETITIONS.—Mr. Dow presented a Petition from certain persons praying that the Bill for the suppression of the Rabbit Nuisance might be so modified in Committee that the Government should undertake to rid the Crown lands of rabbits out of the revenue derived from such lands, and thus lighten the burden on the already sorely tried farmers.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. McIntyre presented a Petition from certain medical practitioners in the city of Sandhurst and the township of Eaglehawk, praying the House would never pass such a Bill as the Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865 and for other purposes*" into law, and that this House would show its appreciation of a high standard of education by throwing out the Bill by an overwhelming majority.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Nimmo presented a Petition from certain shipwrights, engineers, boiler-makers, and laborers of the Port of Melbourne, praying the House to take such steps to protect the public interest as the circumstances of the case as set forth in the Petition might require.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Orr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., and the same was read, and is as follows:—
G. F. BOWEN, *Message No.*
Governor.
In pursuance of section 36 of the Constitution Act the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments, which he recommends to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to vest a piece of Land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction*":—
Line 12, after the word "Assembly" insert the words "of Victoria."
Clause 1, after the word "Schedule" insert the word "hereto."
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th October 1878.
On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly agreed to the said amendments, and ordered the Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Closed Roads.—Progress Report of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire how far the 399th section of "*The Local Government Act*" has been enforced by the various local bodies, and to report as to the present state of the Closed Roads and the requirements of the public; together with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, &c.
Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ending 30th June 1878.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., presented—
Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons Statute 1870.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 26th September 1878, for a return of all sums of money claimed by persons as having been overpaid, or wrongly paid, as duty under the Act called "*Duties on the Estate of Deceased Persons Statute, 1870.*"
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented—
Railway Loan Act 1878.—Education Department.—Statement in detail of the works proposed to be undertaken by the Minister of Public Instruction during the ensuing twelve months, with estimated expenditure out of Loan Act No. 608, schedule 2, item 11, School Buildings.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Patterson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Telegraphic Communication *viâ* Java.—Further Correspondence received from His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. **BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.**—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 Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., read a third time and *passed*.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to amend the Law with reference to Bankers' Books Evidence.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **RABBIT NUISANCE SUPPRESSION BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Longmore, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly ordered that the following words be inserted in clause 3, page 2, line 15, after the word “portion,” viz., “Provided that every two acres of any Crown lands held under a pastoral or grazing license shall be counted only as one acre liable to such rate.”
On the motion of Mr. R. Clark (*Wimmera*), the Assembly ordered the following words to be added at the end of clause 7, viz., “Provided that not less than seven clear days' notice has been given to the owner or occupier of any such fence.”
On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly ordered that the words “Inspector or” be inserted before the word “person” in clause 8, lines 3 and 4 respectively.
On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly ordered that all the words in clause 9, to and inclusive of the word “and” in the third line of the said clause be omitted, also, that the word “such” be omitted from the same line and the word “the” inserted instead thereof, and that the words “of any inspector” be inserted after the word “appointment” in the same line.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly ordered that the word “section” be omitted from clause 10, page 4, line 7, and the word “Act” be inserted instead thereof.
Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Longmore moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to provide for the suppression of the Rabbit nuisance.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, 2, 4, 5, and 6 be postponed until after the consideration of the 7th Order for to-day.
10. **MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. **NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—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.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Thursday, 31st October instant.—Bill as amended to be printed.
12. **DISEASES IN VINES ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

- “ *Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Expiring Laws Continuation Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Second reading,*”
- “ *Railway Construction Bill—Second Reading,*”
- “ *Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”
- “ *Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “ *Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,*”
- “ *Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading.*”

Assembly adjourned at twenty-three minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 48.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL COMMITTEE.—Mr. Bent, Chairman, brought up a Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the Evidence and Proceedings of the Committee, to be printed, and to be taken into consideration Wednesday, 6th November next.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gaunson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. FELONS' APPREHENSION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, by leave of the Assembly, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the taking or apprehending of persons charged with certain felonies, and the punishment of those by whom they are harboured.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir Bryan O'Loughlen and Mr. Berry do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to facilitate the taking or apprehending of Persons charged with certain Felonies, and the punishment of those by whom they are harboured,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Lalor presented—
Fisheries Act—*Government Gazette* containing Proclamation under.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Railway Construction Act 360—Estimate of Expenditure during the year ending 30th June 1879 out of "The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account," established under.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole to-morrow.
Major W. C. Smith presented—
Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531, Second Schedule—A Further Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879 under.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole to-morrow.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders 1, 2, and 3, Government Business, on the paper for to-day, be postponed until after the consideration of the 9th Order for to-day.
7. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUATION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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 Bryan O'Loughlen, read a third time and *passed*.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
"*An Act to continue various Expiring Laws.*"
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the 5th Order of the day be postponed until after the consideration of the 6th Order for to-day.

9. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—Mr. Lalor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Lalor moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Lalor, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government Business, 1 to 3, 5, and 8 to 23, on the Paper for to-day, be postponed until this day.
11. BANKS AND CURRENCY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Dwyer moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Banks and Currency Statute 1864.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Barr do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Dwyer then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Banks and Currency Statute 1864,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
12. INTESTATE ESTATES LAW ALTERATION BILL.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the law relating to the distribution of Estates of persons dying Intestate, and for other purposes.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Gaunson and Mr. Graves do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Gaunson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to alter the Law relating to the distribution of Estates of Persons dying Intestate and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, and ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. ELECTORAL ACT 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
" Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"
" Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report," until this day ;
" Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
" Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading,"
" Insolvency Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"
" Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"
" Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,"
" Differential Rating Bill—Second reading," until Wednesday, 6th November next ;
" Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading," until this day ;
" Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"
" Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate," until Wednesday, 6th November next ;
" Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading," until to-morrow.
15. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time to-morrow.
16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—
 MR. SPEAKER,
 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 vest a piece of Land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction.*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 30th October 1878.

17. **FELONS' APPREHENSION BILL.**—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

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

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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 Bryan O'Loughlen, read a third time and *passed*.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

“An Act to facilitate the taking or apprehending of Persons charged with certain Felonies, and the punishment of those by whom they are harbored.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

- “Supply—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Land Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,”*
- “Forests Management Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Sale Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Diseases in Vines Act 1877 Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report,”*
- “Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Supply—Resolution to be reported,”*
- “Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,”*
- “Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,”*
- “Police Offences Statute Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report,”*
- “Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.”*

Assembly adjourned at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 49.

THURSDAY, 31ST OCTOBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. REPORTING PROCEEDINGS OF PARLIAMENT.—Mr. Richardson, Chairman, brought up the Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Evidence, to be printed.
3. WINES TRAFFIC ON RAILWAYS.—Mr. Orr moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amounts paid as compensation for the loss of colonial wine carried over the Victorian Railways, giving the names of the parties forwarding the said wines, and to whom the amounts in question have been paid.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
Orders 1 to 4, until after the consideration of the 14th Order for to-day ;
Order 5, until after the consideration of the 8th Order for to-day ;
“ *Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Third reading,*”
“ *Forest Management Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 5th November next.
5. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration Tuesday, 5th November next.—Bill, as amended, to be printed.
6. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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 Bryan O'Loughlen, moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to further amend the Law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children.*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
7. DISEASES IN VINES ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to amend and continue ' The Diseases in Vines Act 1877.'*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
8. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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 Bryan O'Loughlen, read a third time and *passed*.
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to amend ' The Police Offences Statute 1865.'*”
Question—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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9. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT No. 360—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Estimate of Expenditure during the year ending 30th June 1879, out of "The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account, established under Act 360," having been read—On the motion of Mr. Woods, the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Ordered—That the Report be received Tuesday, 5th November next.

10. LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Longmore moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Longmore moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Longmore, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time Wednesday, 6th November next.

11. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 31st October 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the taking or apprehending of persons charged with certain felonies and the punishment of those by whom they are harbored,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 31st October 1878.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 6th November next:—

"Supply—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading,"

"Supreme Courts Judicature Bill—Second reading,"

"Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9—To be considered in Committee,"

"Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,"

"Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,"

"Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,"

"Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,"

"Supply—Resolution to be reported,"

"Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,"

"Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,"

"Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,"

"Supreme Courts Judgments Bill—Second reading,"

"Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,"

"Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading,"

"Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"

"Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading."

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday, 6th November next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at ten minutes to twelve o'clock until Wednesday next at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Williams presented a Petition from the mayor, councillors, and burgesses of the borough of Eaglehawk, under the corporate seal of the municipality, praying this House to adopt such measures for the redress of the grievance referred to in the Petition as this House should deem necessary.
Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Imports consumed in Victoria—value of.
Products exported—value of.
Products exported—value of.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. BILL SENT BY MISTAKE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, that a message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that a Bill intituled "*An Act to Continue Various Expiring Laws,*" had, on the 31st day of October last, been sent to the Legislative Council by mistake, and requesting that the said Bill may be returned to the Legislative Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 360—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from a Committee of the whole a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—
(31st October, 1878.)
Resolved—That the following Estimate of Expenditure during the year ending 30th June 1879 out of "The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account," established under Act 360, be agreed to by the Committee, viz. :—

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To pay for Surveys of proposed New Lines of Railway ...	25,000	0	0

 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.
6. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money from 'The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account,'*" established under the provision of section 42 of 33 Vic. No 360, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY SALE BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.
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. Berry, read a third time.
Question—That this Bill do now pass—proposed.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.

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Assembly divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Muuro,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Billson,	Sir. B. O'Loughlen,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Rees;
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Service,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Young,
Mr. James,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. McIntyre,	Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)

Noes, 3.

Sir J. O'Shanassy.

Tellers.

Mr. Bird,
Mr. Gaunson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

8. LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—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. Longmore moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

No. 4 until after the consideration of the 12th Order for to-day, and Orders 6 to 26 until this day.

10. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Bent, the several amendments made by the Select Committee in this Bill were read and agreed to by the Assembly.

Mr. Speaker having announced that the Clerk of the Assembly had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Mr. Bent moved, That this Bill be read a third time, Tuesday, 12th November instant.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. INSOLVENCY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until Wednesday, 13th November instant.

12. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

“ *Imprisonment for Debt Law Amendment Bill.—Second reading,*”

“ *Mr. Thureau—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate,*”

“ *Supreme Court Practice and Procedure Bill—Second reading.*”

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“ *Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until Wednesday, 13th November instant ;

“ *Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until this day ;

“ *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*” until to-morrow ;

“ *Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*”

“ *Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 13th November instant ;

“ *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*” until to-morrow ;

- “*Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 “*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 12th November instant;
 “*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until Wednesday, 13th November instant;
 “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow;
 “*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*” until after the consideration of the 12th Order for to-day.

14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to continue various Expiring Laws,*” sent to the Legislative Council by mistake, as requested by the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL.

Legislative Council Chamber,
 Melbourne, 6th November 1878.

15. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN,
 Governor.

Message No. 18.

The 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 facilitate the taking or apprehending of Persons charged with certain Felonies and the punishment of those by whom they are harbored.*”

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 1st November 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

16. LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the question—That this Bill be now read a third time—having been read.

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

Ordered—That the further consideration of this Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

17. SEBASTOPOL AND DURHAM LEADS DRAINAGE BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Richardson moved, That this debate be now adjourned.

Debate continued.

Question—That this debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2)—Third reading,*”

“*Supply—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9—To be considered in Committee,*”

“*Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Treason and Felony Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Charitable Trust Property vesting Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”

“*Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”

“*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”

“*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”

“*Supreme Court Judgments Bill—Second reading,*” until to-morrow.

“*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*” until Wednesday, 13th November instant.

Assembly adjourned at three minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
 Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 51.

THURSDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Aborigines—Fourteenth Report of the Board for the Protection of the—
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented—
Royal Reader Expurgations—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 23rd October last, for a return showing all the words “expurgated,” by order of the Education Department, from the “Nelson series” Royal Reader, recently introduced to our State schools ; and also giving all the words substituted in the place of same.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the 1st Order be postponed until after the 3rd Order for to-day.
4. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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. Woods, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Woods moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—
“ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money from ‘ The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account’ established under the provision of section ‘ forty-two of 33 Vic. No. 360.’*”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and their concurrence desired therein.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL (2).—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. Lalor, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Gillies, the Assembly ordered that the word “thirteenth” be omitted from line 3 of clause 4 and the word “first” be inserted instead thereof.
On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the following clause was read a first time, a second time, and ordered to be added to the Bill, viz. :—

PART IV.

In lieu of making any arrangement with the Governor in Council of New South Wales or South Australia under Part III. of this Act and of providing for the granting of permits to carry out any such arrangement it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to make or determine regulations and arrangements with the Governors of such colonies respectively for the purposes and in the manner provided in the Two hundred and thirty-sixth section of “ *The Customs Act 1857.*” Provided however that the operation of any such regulation and arrangement made as to either such colony may extend to the entire land or river frontier of such colony to Victoria.

Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Lalor moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to amend the Duties of Customs Act 1877.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the 1st Order of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the 6th Order for to-day.

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7. TREASON AND FELONY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be read a third time this day.

8. CHARITABLE TRUST PROPERTY VESTING BILL.—Mr. Mirams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Mirams moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, the Assembly ordered the Bill to be taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.—Bill as amended to be printed.

9. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Fisheries Act 1873*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 6th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Juries Statute 1876*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 6th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law with reference to Bankers' Books Evidence*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 6th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to permit Liens to be given upon growing Crops*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 6th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.

10. TREASON AND FELONY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—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 Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., read a third time and *passed*.

Sir B. O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act to abolish forfeitures for Treason and Felony, and to otherwise amend the Law relating thereto.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

11. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 19.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Second Further Estimates of Expenditure for 1878–9, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th November 1878.

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

12. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into Supply having been read—Mr. Berry moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Bent having risen to address the House, Mr. Speaker called upon Mr. Dwyer, whereupon Mr. Gaunson moved, That Mr. Bent be now heard.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. Dwyer then moved as an amendment, That all the words after the word “ That ” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words, “ All appointments to be in future made by Government shall be made in accordance with, and subject to the following rules, and not otherwise :—

- (1.) Merit alone shall determine which of the applicants for any appointment shall receive it.
- (2.) Before any appointment is made on the professional or clerical side of the Civil Service, and whether to the classified or unclassified branches, notice of intention to make it, and that applications will be received for it during the ensuing fortnight shall be first published in the *Government Gazette*.
- (3.) Applicants who have passed the Civil Service examination shall be taken to be of superior merit to applicants who have not.
- (4.) In future the number of marks which any person shall have obtained at any Civil Service examination shall be set after his name, and the maximum number of marks for every Civil Service examination shall be always the same.
- (5.) The marks obtained by examinees at any Civil Service examination shall be considered indicative of the merits of the examinees.
- (6.) Any person who has passed any Civil Service examination may present himself for examination at any other such examination, and the marks obtained by him at any such subsequent examination shall be the marks indicating his merit.
- (7.) Any applicant who at any Civil Service examination shall have obtained a greater number of marks than any other applicant shall be considered as of superior merit to such last-mentioned applicant.
- (8.) If two or more of the applicants of greatest merit are on an equality as regards marks, the examiners for the Civil Service shall further examine, in such manner as they may determine, the candidates whose merits are on such equality, and shall determine their respective merits.”

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair, and the Assembly resolve itself into the Committee of Supply—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the chair, and the Assembly resolved into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will on Tuesday, 12th November instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend and continue ‘ The Diseases in Vines Act 1877. ’* ” without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 7th November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the holding of Victorian Exhibitions,* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 7th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed and taken into consideration Tuesday, 12th November instant.

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 12th November instant:—
- “*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Land Act Amendment Bill—Further consideration,*”
 - “*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”
 - “*Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878–9—To be considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”
 - “*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Supreme Court Judgments Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*”
 - “*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of Debate,*”
 - “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”

15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at two o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at sixteen minutes past eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 52.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FINANCE, 1877-8.—The Clerk of the Assembly laid upon the Table of the House the Treasurer's statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June 1878, accompanied by the Report of the Commissioners of Audit, and by the Documents specified in the 48th section of the Audit Act, which had been transmitted to him by the Commissioners of Audit.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

3. PAPER.—Mr. Woods presented—

Loan Act No. 608—Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under "The Railway Loan Act No. 608."

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the whole to-morrow.

4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that he have leave to sit again.

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

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th November 1878.

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 from 'The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account' established under the provisions of section forty-two of 33 Vic. No. 360*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Duties of Customs Act 1877'*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th November 1878.

(775 copies.)

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Police Offences Statute 1865,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th November 1878.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN,

Message No. 20.

Governor.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, Third Further Additional Estimates of Expenditure for 1878-9, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
November 1878.

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

7. CHARITABLE TRUST PROPERTY VESTING BILL.—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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 Bryan O'Loughlen, read a third time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly ordered the word "Christian" to be omitted from clause 29, line 8, clause 32, line 10, and clause 33, line 6, and the word "name" to be inserted instead thereof, and the word "if" to be omitted from clause 44, line 9, and the word "of" to be inserted instead thereof.

Question—That the Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act to vest Property held on Public, Religious, and Charitable Trusts in the succeeding Trustees without Conveyance or Assignment, and for other purposes."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

8. LIENS UPON GROWING CROPS BILL.—The Order of the day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the several amendments were read and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 4, line 40, leave out "purport on the face of it to."
- (2.) " 6, line 35, after "money" insert "not exceeding one year's rent."
- (3.) " line 38, leave out "provided that the sum so paid shall not exceed one year's rent provided also that," and
- (4.) " make the remainder of the clause a new clause.
- (5.) " line 41, leave out "and the farm shall be in the occupation of the mortgagee."
- (6.) Clause 9, line 42, leave out "with intent to defraud such lienee, his executors, administrators, or assigns."
- (7.) " line 47, after second "imprisonment" insert "such imprisonment to be."

And the said several amendments were read a second time, and agreed to by the Assembly.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message, acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said several amendments.

9. BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 1, line 11, leave out last figure 7 and insert 8.
- (2.) " 3, line 19, leave out "of an officer" and insert "superior officers."
- (3.) " line 20, leave out "authorized in that behalf."

And the said several amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message, acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said several amendments.

10. JURIES STATUTE 1876 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 3. At end of clause insert "and in subsection (b) the words 'two thousand' are hereby repealed and the words 'twelve hundred' shall be substituted in lieu thereof, and the words 'one hundred' are hereby repealed and the word 'sixty' shall be substituted in lieu thereof."

- (2.) Clause 4, line 3, leave out "and persons for the time being holding a publican's license," and insert "and all clerks of barristers and attorneys at law."
 (3.) " line 4, after "jurors" insert "and all Executive Councillors shall be hereafter exempt from serving on coroners' juries."
 (4.) Clause 5, line 8, leave out "such requisite" and insert "the."
 (5.) " line 8, leave out "shall" and insert "of jurymen in any case may."
 (6.) " line 9, leave out "and the fees payable on requiring any such jury shall be the sum of two pounds in place of one pound," and insert "when any party to the suit may so require, and on payment by such party of one pound in addition to the usual jury fee."
 (7.) Clause 6. At end of clause insert "or that he was unable to attend through illness."

And the said several amendments were read a second time, and 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 several amendments.

11. FISHERIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 1. At end of clause insert "and shall continue in force for the space of three years and no longer."
 (2.) Clause 5, line 11, leave out "and may in addition be imprisoned for any period not exceeding one month."
 (3.) Clause 6, line 13, leave out "may" and insert "shall."
 (4.) Insert new clause to follow clause 6—"The following words in section thirty-nine of 'The Fisheries Act 1873,' shall be and the same are hereby repealed (that is to say) nor to any fixed engine used solely for catching eels."

And the said several amendments were read a second time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly ordered that amendment 1 be amended by omitting therefrom the words "no longer" and inserting instead thereof the words "thence until the end of the next Session of Parliament."

And the said amendment, as so amended, was agreed to by the Assembly.

And the several other amendments were agreed to by the Assembly.

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, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

12. VICTORIAN EXHIBITIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill, having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 2, at end of clause, insert—

The commissioners for any exhibition shall, for the purposes of this Act, be a body politic and corporate by the name of "Exhibition Commissioners," and shall by that name have succession until the purposes for which they have been or shall be appointed respectively shall have been carried out, and all claims, demands, and suits, by or upon or against them in such their corporate character shall have been satisfied, and shall have a common seal, and shall by the same name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in all courts and places whatsoever, and shall have power to compound or to prove in any competent court all debts due to them.

- (2.) Clause 3, line 5 (p. 2), leave out "if sitting."
 (3.) " 4, line 7, leave out "in addition to any powers that may be vested in them by the Governor in Council."
 (4.) " 4, line 31, leave out "or to imprisonment not exceeding one month."
 (5.) " 7, line 18, leave out "vested in," and insert "held by."
 (6.) " 9, line 33, leave out "Trustees of Exhibition Buildings" and insert "Exhibition Trustees."
 (7.) " 10, line 16, leave out "or to imprisonment not exceeding one month."
 (8.) " 14, line 17, leave out "vested in the" and insert "in and under the exclusive possession and control of the Exhibition."
 (9.) " 14, insert at end of clause—

Provided always that the public shall be deprived only upon any special and temporary occasions for which the said Exhibition Trustees shall receive the approval of the Governor in Council of the right of free ingress and egress as foot passengers only to and from the grounds around the buildings on such land described in the Second Schedule hereto.

Provided also that so often as the land mentioned in the Second Schedule shall be required for the purposes of a public exhibition of the character hereinbefore mentioned the Commissioners to be appointed for every such exhibition shall have the sole control of the said land and the buildings thereon whilst such exhibition may continue.

Provided also that nothing in this section contained shall be deemed to divest the Board of Land and Works and the mayor aldermen councillors and citizens of the city of Melbourne of the legal estate of such land described in the Second Schedule thereto.

And the said several amendments were read a second time, and agreed to by the Legislative Assembly.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message, acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said several amendments.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

- “*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “*Land Act Amendment Bill—Further consideration,*”
- “*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”
- “*Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878–9—To be considered in Committee,*”
- “*Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,*”
- “*Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “*Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Supply—Resolution to be reported,*”
- “*Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*”
- “*Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Supreme Court Judgments Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Third reading,*”
- “*Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
- “*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of Debate,*”
- “*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”

Assembly adjourned at one minute past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Richardson presented a Petition from the Reverend Jos. Dare, D.D., styling himself President of the Conference, and Chairman of the Committee for guarding the civil and religious privileges of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Victoria, praying the House would not pass the Bill for the prevention of Contagious Diseases, at this late period of the Session.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Importation of Cattle and Sheep from Great Britain, Ireland, Canada, and the United States of America.—Orders in Council.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Longmore presented—
Crown Lands Tenants, South side of the Yarra.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 22nd October last, for a return showing the names of tenants of Crown lands on the south side of the Yarra, the area occupied by each, the annual rental payable for the same, the nature of the industry carried on on each of the leased allotments, the term and date of each lease, and whether renewable, and, if so, for what term; also, a copy of the forms of leases entered into by the Government with the lessees.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AFTER ELEVEN O'CLOCK.—Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Berry, "That, so much of the Sessional Order as precludes the taking of new business after 11 o'clock at night be read and rescinded, so far as Government business is concerned."
Debate ensued.
The debate not being concluded at half-past four o'clock stood adjourned until this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until this day.
6. LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Sharpe moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
Assembly divided.

Ayes, 37.

<p>Mr. Bent, Mr. Billson, Mr. Bowman, Mr. D. Cameron, Mr. Carter, Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera) Mr. Cook, Mr. Cooper, Mr. B. G. Davies, Mr. D. M. Davies, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Fincham, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Graves, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Ince, Mr. Johnstone,</p>	<p>Mr. Kernot, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Laurens, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Mason, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Moore, Sir J. O'Shanassy, Mr. Rees, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Williams, Mr. Young,</p>
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Tellers.

Mr. Bird,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)

Noes, 28.

<p>Mr. Andrew, Mr. Barr, Mr. Berry, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Cope, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Francis, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Lyell, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Munro,</p>	<p>Mr. Nimmo, Sir B. O'Loughlen, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Sainsbury, Mr. Service, Mr. Story, Mr. Tytherleigh, Mr. Woods.</p>
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Tellers.

Mr. Bayles,
Mr. L. L. Smith.

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

Mr. Sharpe moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James 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, 19th November instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. **INSOLVENCY STATUTE 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.

The debate not being concluded at twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until Tuesday, 19th November instant.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

“*Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*” until this day ;

“*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until Tuesday, 19th November instant ;

“*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until this day ;

“*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”

“*Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Third reading,*” until to-morrow ;

“*Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading,*” until this day ;

“*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*” until Tuesday, 19th November instant ;

“*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*”

“*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*”

“*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”

“*Government Business after Eleven o'Clock—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate,*” until to-morrow.

10. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER 1878.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James having reported that a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee, Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members not being present, Mr. Speaker, at five minutes to three o'clock, adjourned the House, without question being first put, until this day at two o'clock p.m.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 54.

THURSDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 made by the Legislative Council in Clause 1 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Fisheries Act 1873.'*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 13th November 1878.

3. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson having moved for, and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.

Report read, and ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

Mr. Gaunson moved, by leave of the Assembly, that the Select Committee now enquiring into the manner in which the Metropolitan Gas Company is carrying out its Act have power to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the passing of the said Act, and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. MR. W. R. MERRY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Mirams brought up a Report from this Committee. Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices, to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., and the same were read, and are as follow :—

G. F. BOWEN,

Message No. .

Governor.

In pursuance of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments which he recommends to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money from 'The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account,'*" established under the provision of section forty-two of 33 Vict. No. 360, that has been presented to him for Her Majesty's assent :—

Title, line 1, after the word "of" insert "a"; line 2, omit the final "s" in the word "sums."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 13th November 1878.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to the said several amendments. Ordered—That the above 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.

Message No. .

G. F. BOWEN,

Governor.

In pursuance of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments which he recommends to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Duties of Customs Act 1877'*" that has been presented to him for Her Majesty's Assent:—

Clause 2, line 4, after the word "shall" add the words "be deemed to have been and shall."

Clause 14, line 16, after the word "the" add the words "Legislative Council and the."

„ line 17, omit the word "its" and substitute the word "the."

„ line 18, after the word "assembling" add the word "thereof."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 13th November 1878.

On the motion of Mr. Lalor, the Assembly agreed to the said several amendments. Ordered—That the above 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.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McIntyre moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN,

Message No. 21.

Governor.

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 vest a piece of land situate in the City of Ballarat reserved for Public Gardens in the Minister of Public Instruction.”

“An Act to authorize the Construction of the Rosstown Junction Railway, and for other purposes.”

“An Act to continue various Expiring Laws.”

“An Act to amend and continue ‘The Diseases in Vines Act, 1877.’”

“An Act to authorize the Melbourne and Hobson’s Bay United Railway Company to sell their undertaking and property, and to vest the same in the Board of Land and Works, and for other purposes.”

“An Act to permit Liens to be given upon Growing Crops.”

“An Act to provide for the holding of Victorian Exhibitions.”

“An Act to amend the Law with reference to Bankers’ Books Evidence.”

“An Act to amend the Juries Statute 1876.”

“An Act to amend the Fisheries Act 1873.”

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 14th November 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

8. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—

Exhibition to be holden in the year 1880.—Plans and specifications, together with an Estimate of cost for the erection of the original building.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Berry presented—

Port Phillip—First Survey and Settlement of.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 14th August last, for copies of certain recently discovered historical records respecting the first survey, and subsequent settlement at Port Phillip Heads, formed under Lieut.-Governor Collins in 1803.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Berry presented—

Public Accounts.—Regulation respecting.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

9. PETITION.—Mr. Pearson presented a Petition from certain Members of the Senate of the University of Melbourne, praying the House as speedily as possible to pass “*The Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill*” now before this House, or such portion of it as might seem most advisable.

Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

10. ALBERT PARK SCHOOL BILL.—Major W. C. Smith moved, pursuant to amended notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to annul, to a certain extent, the operation and effect of an Order in Council reserving from sale permanently the Public Reserve known as the Albert Park.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Major W. C. Smith and Mr. Berry do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Major W. C. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to annul to a certain extent the operation and effect of an Order in Council reserving from sale permanently the Public Reserve known as the Albert Park,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Major W. C. Smith moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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, 19th November instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into Supply having been read, Mr. Berry moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Bent moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word “that” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words, “In the opinion of this House, provision should be made for the continuance of the same amount of endowment to municipalities until 1884 inclusive, upon such terms and conditions as this House may determine.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Berry,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Macgregor,	
Mr. Mirams,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Munro,	
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Tucker,
Sir B. O'Loghlen, Bart.,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Bayles,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Williams.
Mr. Fraser,	
Mr. Gaunson,	
Mr. Kerferd,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Bird,
Dr. Madden,	Mr. Ramsay.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the Assembly resolve into the Committee of Supply—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

FRIDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER 1878.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received, Tuesday, 19th November instant.

12. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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 sanction the Issue and Application of certain sums of Money from the 'Railway Loan 'Liquidation and Construction Account, established under the provision of section forty-two of '33 Vict. No. 360.'*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 14th November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

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 amend 'The Duties of Customs Act 1877.'*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 14th November 1878.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 19th November instant:—

"*Loan Act No. 608—Estimate of Expenditure—To be considered in Committee,*"

"*Police Offences Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be considered,*"

"*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Land Act Amendment Bill—Further consideration,*"

"*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9—To be considered in Committee,*"

"*Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Supply—Resolutions to be reported,*"

"*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Third reading,*"

"*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of Debate,*"

"*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of Debate,*"

"*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading.*"

14. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

- “ Government Business after Eleven o’Clock—Resumption of debate,”*
- “ Sebastopol and Durham Leads Drainage Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,”*
- “ Duties of Customs—Resolution to be considered in Committee,”*
- “ Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Mining on Private Property Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Insectivorous Birds Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee,”*
- “ Melbourne University Extension of Powers Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Mining Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Public Health Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Widening of Railways Bill—Second reading,”*
- “ Supreme Court Judgments Bill—Second reading.”*

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

Assembly adjourned at two minutes to two o’clock until Tuesday next at four o’clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 55.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson, having moved and obtained leave, brought up a Progress Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. PETITION.—Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst) presented a Petition from certain selectors and other residents in that part of the colony between Eaglehawk and Swan Hill, and residents of the city of Sandhurst, praying the House would favorably recognize their claims, to railway extension by adopting the following line, viz.:—Commencing at Eaglehawk, *viâ* Raywood, &c., to Kerang and Swan Hill.
Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Defences of Victoria—Copy Despatches from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Education—Appendices to Report of the Minister of Public Instruction, presented to this House 29th August last.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the first eight Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the ninth Order for to-day.
6. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1878-9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee of Supply the details of several resolutions, the full amounts of the several items of which have been already reported to the House, and which were read and are as follow :—

III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

(16th July 1878.)

DIVISION No. 37.	£	£
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Messrs Freshfield and Williams' Bill of Costs, in the case of an appeal to the Privy Council by the executors of the late Mr. Armitage, against a decision of the Supreme Court on the "Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons Statute 1870" £503 2 2 Appellants' taxed costs 270 18 8 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> £774 0 10	775	
No. 2. To Mr. J. J. Normoyle, Clerk in the Crown Solicitor's Office— Balance of Salary during a portion of the time he was absent in England and Ireland, as a commissioner in the case of the Attorney-General <i>v.</i> Huon and another, viz. : from the 13th August 1875 to the 12th February 1876— Full salary for above period £243 11 6 Less already paid 121 15 9 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> £121 15 9	122	
Total Division No. 37	897	

IV.—MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 42.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Gratuity to the child of the late Judge Pohlman—equal to nine months' salary—to be vested in Trustees to be appointed, and upon Trusts to be declared, by the Governor in Council ...	1,125	
No. 2. To Mr. J. C. H. Ogier— Expenses incurred by him in connection with the Board appointed to enquire into certain charges brought against him. (Solicitor's costs to be subject to taxation) £255 2 7	256	
Total Division No. 42	1,381	

V.—TREASURER.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 54.		
ADVANCE TO TREASURER.		
To enable the Treasurer to make advances to Public Officers and others	100,000	

VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1.—Expenses in connection with Pumping Water to Botanic Gardens, Domain, and Albert Park	550	
No. 2.—Towards Improvement of the Banks of Albert Park Lake and Drainage in same of natural watershed	300	
No. 3.—Refund to Manager of Bank of Victoria at Portland, amount paid as fines on Kadnook, Longlands West, Pine Hills, Tallangour, and Mullagh runs	140	
No. 4.—Compensation to the Sericultural Company for Improvements effected on the reserve at Mount Alexander	700	
No. 5.—Compensation to West Melbourne Bowling Club for Improvements effected on land resumed by the Crown	350	
No. 6.—Compensation to John Conden for being deprived of land held by him under the 42nd section <i>The Land Act</i> 1869 on which he had improvements	150	
No. 7.—Compensation to Unclassified Officers whose services have been dispensed with	3,014	
No. 8.—Retiring allowance to Charles Cubley, late Unclassified Clerk, from 16th March 1878 to 30th June 1879, at £75 per annum	97	
No. 9.—Gratuity to the Widow of the late Chas. McKenzie, late Clerk in Lands Department	47	
No. 10.—Gratuity to the Widow of the late Philip Weis, late Clerk in Lands Department	156	
No. 11.—Gratuity to the Widow of the late J. McDonald, late Assistant-Surveyor in connection with Lands Department	400	
No. 12.—Compensation to E. L. Bruce, Assistant-Surveyor, for loss of Camp Equipage by bush fire	99	
Total Division No. 60	6,003	

IX.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 76.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Amount awarded to J. J. Ladd by arbitration in the case of Ladd v. Board of Land and Works for injuries received in the execution of his duty as Laborer on the Telegraph Lines £736 16 0 Taxed Costs in same 28 6 3		
	765 2 3	766
No. 2. Gratuity to Joseph Bowen in addition to, and to make amount provided for in the Appropriation Act 1877-8 (£21 10s. 6d.), equal to three months' pay £5 15s. 6d.		6
Total Division No. 76		772

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 84.		
LOCAL WATERWORKS.		
(Contingent on the scheme of management being approved of by the Government.)		
(To be hereafter recouped from a Loan.)		
Loan to the Shires of Stawell, Dunmunkle, and St. Arnaud, to enable them to construct Works for Water Supply purposes ...		2,000

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

Mr. James also reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read, and are as follow :—

ESTIMATES 1878-9.

(15th October 1878.)

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878-9, for the service next hereunder specified, being :—

1. In addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such service, viz. :—

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 85.		
PROSPECTING FOR GOLDFIELDS.		
No. 1. For the purchase of three Diamond-drill Rock-boring Machines, with Engines, Rods, &c., complete, including also freight, insurance, passage, and pay of man in charge		4,924
No. 2. For Expenses of working above Drills		1,000
To assist in the development of the Mining Industry by loan or otherwise, in accordance with regulations published in the <i>Government Gazette</i>		19,742
Total Division No. 85		25,666
The sum of		9,517

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

SECOND FURTHER ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.

(14th November 1878.)

(2.) Resolved—That the sums next hereinafter mentioned be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Second Further Charges for the Year 1878-9 for the several services hereunder specified, being :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 2.		
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
Four doorkeepers during session at 60s. per week—arrears	279
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DIVISION No. 3.		
THE LIBRARY.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Printing classified catalogue of books added to Library since 1864	200
—————		
DIVISION No. 5.		
CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One 2nd class clerk from 1st January 1879, at £500 per annum	£250	0
In lieu of one 3rd class clerk, at £485 per annum on original	...	...
Estimates ... ..	...	242 10
		8
—————		
DIVISION No. 6.		
GOVERNMENT STATIST.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One 4th class clerk from 1st January 1879, at £200 per annum, in	...	...
lieu of one 5th class clerk at £163 6s. 8d. per annum on
original Estimates	£19
Subdivision No. 2.		
Clerical assistance	175
		194
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DIVISION No. 7.		
POLICE.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Ten Superintendents, including two for six months only	£3,375	...
In lieu of original Estimates ... ..	...	3,313
		62
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowance to Superintendent in charge of the Melbourne district ...	...	100
—————		
DIVISION No. 10.		
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
BALLARAT.		
(In lieu of original Estimates.)		
One Senior Head Warder in charge ... ..	...	£225
One Clerk and Storekeeper ... ..	...	180
One Matron for two months, at £90 ... ..	...	15
* Ten male Warders—£65 to £120 ... ..	...	647
Four female Warders for two months—£30 to £50 ... ..	...	22
Three Laundresses—One at £40, one at £36, and one for ten	...	...
months at £36 ... ..	...	106
One Cook ... ..	...	50
One Carter ... ..	...	60
		£1,305

* Two Warders 1st class and eight 2nd class.

DIVISION No. 19.	£	£
EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses	385	
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DIVISION No. 24.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Commissions and Boards of Enquiry	1,400	
No. 6. Expense of Publishing Decades Illustrative of the Natural History and Palæontology of Victoria	100	
No. 14. Expenses under the Vines Diseases Eradication Act, including £200 arrears £1,200 0 0		
Compensation to Owners of Vines destroyed	750 0 0	
	<hr/>	1,950
No. 18. Expenses in connection with the Wreck of the <i>Loch Ard</i> , viz.:—		
(a) Compensation to Mr. H. H. Gibson for losses sustained	£300 0 0	
(b) Passage to England of Miss Carmichael, together with outfit	200 0 0	
	<hr/>	500
No. 19. Compensation to Mr. John McAree for loss of office as Trade Instructor at the Industrial Schools, £54 4s. 6d.	55	
No. 20. Expenses in connection with the Melbourne International Exhibition 1880	8,000	
No. 21. For services of Auditor appointed under the Metropolitan Gas Company's Act 1878	105	
No. 22. Gratuity to Mr. John Dobson, late Inspector of Police, in lieu of twelve months' leave of absence, and in addition to gratuity paid on retirement from the force in consequence of ill-health mainly attributable to injury received when on duty	345	
No. 23. In aid of the Funds of a Juvenile Exhibition at Sandhurst	500	
No. 24. For destroying Rabbits in the Northern districts	500	
And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.		
No. 25. For defraying the expenses of three Commissioners to England |	5,000	|
The said resolution was read a second time.		
Question—That the Assembly agree in the said resolution—proposed.		
Debate ensued.		
Mr. Gaunson moved as an amendment, That the following words be added after the word "resolution," viz., "provided that Professor Pearson, member for Castlemaine, shall not be one of the Commissioners."		
Debate ensued.		
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.		
Question—That the Assembly agree in the said resolution—put and resolved in the affirmative.		
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(15th November 1878.)		
III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.		
DIVISION No. 28.		
LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
Costs and Expenses of Legal proceedings, including Fees to prosecuting barristers	1,000	
Expenses generally incurred in supporting the classification of Lands under the Act No. 575	3,000	
	<hr/>	4,000
DIVISION No. 32.		
PROBATE, ADMINISTRATION, AND LUNACY.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Commission at the rate of £5 per centum payable to a Clerk in the Master-in-Lunacy's Office upon all Moneys collected by him and received by the Master-in-Lunacy for the Maintenance, &c., of Lunatics, arrears to the 31st January 1878, £76 3s.		77

DIVISION No. 34.			
REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.			
Subdivision No. 3.			
For the Purchase of Parchment for Certificates of Title	... ..	270	
DIVISION No. 37.			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No. 3. Expenses in connection with the Commission in the Buckley Will case, Attorney-General <i>v.</i> Huon and another; additional costs due to Mr. McDermott, plaintiff's solicitor in Ireland, £150 19s. 2d.	... ..	151	4,498
IV.—MINISTER OF JUSTICE.			
DIVISION No. 40.			
CLERKS OF COURTS AND INTERPRETERS.			
Salary of a fifth-class Clerk, at	£171 13 4		
Less already voted	138 6 8		
	33 6 8	34	
DIVISION No. 42.			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No. 3. To Mr. Charles Shuter, reimbursement of costs in an action brought against him as a Police Magistrate, by one John Hayes, £2 7s. 6d. ...		3	37
V.—TREASURER.			
DIVISION No. 43.			
TREASURER.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
SALARIES.			
One second class Clerk, from 1st November 1878, £341 13s. 4d. ...		342	
Before "Clerks and Receivers and Paymasters" in Original Estimates, <i>insert</i> the words Relieving and Inspecting Officer.			
Clerks and Receivers and Paymasters :—One third class, from 1st September 1878, at	£321 13 4		
In lieu one fourth class, at £350	291 13 4		
		30	
Subdivision No. 2.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
For "Issuers of Miners' Rights"	£200 0 0		
And "Allowances to Officers of other Departments for performing Treasury duties"	800 0 0		
<i>Read:</i> "Allowances to Government Officers and other persons for performing Treasury duties"	1,000 0 0		
DIVISION No. 45.			
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.			
Subdivision No. 2.			
Printers, &c.		1,000	

		£	£
DEFENCES.			
DIVISION No. 48.			
LAND FORCES.			
No. 4. Uniform and Soldiers' Kits	... ..	£500 0 0	
Great Coats and Helmets	... ..	750 0 0	
			1,250
Subdivision No. 5. Railway Transport from 1st October 1877 to 30th June 1878		...	712
Subdivision No. 5A. Ammunition (not to exceed the amount paid into Revenue)		... ..	1,085
DIVISION No. 49.			
NAVAL.			
Subdivision No. 1. <i>The Cerberus.</i>			
Chief Carpenter	... ..	£225 0 0	
Less already provided, Carpenter	... ..	200 0 0	
			25
<i>Under item</i> : Two gunners at 8s. 9d. per diem,* £697,			
<i>Insert</i> :—			
* And an allowance of 10s. 4d. per diem, including 3s. 6d. per diem for lodging allowance in lieu of quarters.			
DIVISION No. 53.			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No. 12. Gratuity to Master-Gunner J. McMurray, of the Local Forces, on retirement, through ill-health; nine months' pay—rate of salary, 9s. per diem, £123 3s. 9d.	... ..		124
No. 13. Gratuity to the widow of Alexander Short, late sergeant-major and drill-instructor, Metropolitan Rifles—retirement through ill-health; nine months' pay, at 8s. 6d. per diem, £116 6s. 10d.	... ..		117
No. 14. Gratuity to the widow of Charles Warlow, late Ordnance carter—retirement through ill-health; nine months' pay, at 5s. per diem, £68 8s. 9d.	... ..		69
No. 15. Gratuity to the widow of James John Heath, late drill-instructor, who died December 1874—two months' pay, at 7s. 6d. per diem, £22 16s. 3d.	... ..		23
No. 16. Compensation to John McDonald, late sergeant-major and drill-instructor, Northern Rifles, services being dispensed with on disbandment of the corps; length of service, 19 years and 30 days—one month's pay for each year of service—rate of pay, 9s. per diem, £261 3s. 9d....	... ..		262
			595
			5,039
VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY, ETC.			
DIVISION No. 55.			
SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.			
Subdivision No 1. For "Assistant Surveyor-General, at £625," on original Estimate, <i>Read</i> : "Inspector-General of Surveys and Plans, to 31st December, at £625 per annum, £312 10s." For foot note † read "With quarters, fuel, light, and water."			
Subdivision No. 2. Lithographic Printers and Assistants—For seven, at from £84 to £96, read from £84 to £196. Temporary Crown Land Bailiffs and Foresters, to be employed upon special duty in connection with the conservation of Forests, &c. ... Pupil Draftsmen—For nine read fifteen.			500
DIVISION No. 59.			
GRANTS IN AID.			
No. 1. To Agricultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council, in addition to amount already voted	... ..		1,500
No. 7. In aid of the Funds of the Portland Agricultural and Horticultural Society, £14 3s. 4d. ...	... ..		15

	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 13. Drainage of Land situate in Emu street, Royal Park ...	111	
No. 14. For payment to Mr. W. Walduck, solicitor, amount of costs and expenses connected with the late Ellen Connelly's claim for a Crown grant for land, in the city of Melbourne, leased to one Hogan, which land was, by a decree of Mr. Justice Molesworth, declared escheated to and vested in the Crown ...	30	
No. 15. Compensation to Messrs. A. McLachlan, £169; J. R. Shaw, £241; and Walter Madden, £238, for loss of office—being for periods when unclassified officers ...	648	
No. 16. Gratuity to the widow of the late W. Stitt Jenkins, clerk in the Lands Department—equal to one month's salary ...	12	
No. 17. Compensation under the 110th section of <i>The Land Act</i> 1862 allowed to James Hunter, being five-tenths of the value of his improvements effected during the year 1870 on the Toorourrong run, such run having subsequently been included in the area permanently reserved for the Yan Yean watershed ...	200	
No. 18. Compensation to Mr. W. Robertson for loss of office, his services having been dispensed with—one month's salary for each year of service, £83 19s. 7d. ...	84	
No. 19. Compensation for improvements on land temporarily reserved at Emerald Hill for the use of the Hibernian Australian Catholic Benefit Society, on the resumption of the said land by the Crown, in lieu of the vote for 1876-7, unexpended ...	600	
	1,685	
		3,700

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DIVISION No. 64.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Compensation to the following Officers, &c., at the rate of one month's pay for each year of service :—		
John Hayes, late Inspector of Works, Public Works Department, £307 8s. 7d. ...	308	
From the <i>Item</i> in original Estimates "Compensation to men who have been transferred to the Harbor Trust and subsequently lost their employment," omit the words "and subsequently lost their employment."		

DIVISION No. 65.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
WHARVES, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.		
18. Towards a Jetty at Port Campbell ...	300	
19. Extension, &c., of Jetty at St. Leonards ...	500	
	800	
Subdivision No. 15.		
MILITARY BUILDINGS, ETC.		
No. 3. <i>Insert</i> in original vote—"and interest, &c."		
No. 4. For the purchase of a Building and ground in McKillop-street, Geelong, for an orderly Room ...	1,000	
Subdivision No. 16.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
13. Other Public Works ...	500	
37. Repairs to Disinfecting Apparatus, &c., Sanatory Station, Point Nepean ...	150	
38. Additions to Bendigo School of Mines ...	500	
39. For Construction of Buildings, &c., for a Stock Quarantine Station at Portsea ...	1,350	
	2,500	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 66.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
1. For the Construction and Maintenance of Roads and Bridges outside the boundaries of Municipalities	500	
4. Road between Cape Otway and Camperdown—Clearing, Bridges, and other works	200	
16. Road from Warrigal Railway Station to Brandy Creek Coach Road, 4½ miles	100	
19. Road from Drouin Railway Station to Brandy Creek, 5½ miles ...	500	
47. Coomora Bridge over Wallaby Creek, Glenlyon	400	
48. Fletcher's Bridge over Bullarook Creek, Talbot	500	
49. Road from Warrigal Railway Station to Martin's Track and Telegraph Road	375	
50. Toongabbie to Walhalla Road—Ostler's Creek Bridge and Cuttings ...	250	
51. Road Moe to Walhalla and Donnelly's Creek, towards Wood's Point	1,000	
52. Marysville to Alexandra Road <i>via</i> Buxton	300	
53. Fisher's Creek to Alexandra Road	300	
	4,425	
		9,033
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VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.		
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DIVISION No. 67.		
CUSTOMS.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
MELBOURNE.		
Increment for one 4th class clerk, £12 10s.	13	
Subdivision No. 3.		
WILLIAMSTOWN.		
Increase of 6d. per diem to pay of five boatmen who have served over ten years, from 1st July 1878, £45 12s. 6d.	46	
Subdivision No. 4.		
GEELONG. (<i>Queenscliff.</i>)		
One 3rd Schedule, Coast Waiter, Wharf Manager, and Assistant Inspector of Fisheries, from 1st November 1878	121	
	180	
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DIVISION No. 68.		
PORTS AND HARBORS, IMMIGRATION, MERCANTILE MARINE AND FISHERIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
MELBOURNE (including Williamstown). <i>Insert figure 1 under column 1878-9.</i>		
Watchman at Dockyard ... ..	...
Increase of 6d. per diem to pay of one boatman at 9s. per diem, from 1st July 1878, £9 2s. 6d.	10	
Subdivision No. 8.		
BUOY AND LIGHTHOUSE TENDER. <i>S. S. Pharos.</i>		
Wages of Crew	46	
Subdivision No. 9.		
Buoys, Beacons, and Moorings, &c. (Moorings for Port Campbell specially necessitated by the wreck of the <i>Loch Ard</i>)	321	
Extra labor for Graving Dock, &c. (to maintain Graving Dock machinery, hitherto in charge of Railway Department)	200	
For carrying out the Fisheries Act	350	
	927	
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DIVISION No. 69.		
DISTILLERIES AND EXCISE.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
Increments of £25 each to four Inspectors of Distilleries receiving under £300 per annum (one deceased, from 1st July to 20th September 1878), £80 11s. 1d.	81	

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

DIVISION No. 72.	£	£
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 2. Refund of Duty paid in January 1877 upon Machinery imported for a Paper Mill at Fyansford, £1,227 11s. 6d.	1,228	

And the said resolution was read a second time.

Question—That the said resolution be agreed to by the Assembly—proposed.
Debate ensued.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock,

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 1878.

Question—put.
Assembly divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Barr,	Sir B. O'Loghlen, Bart.,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Fergusson,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Langridge.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Lyell,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Francis,	
Mr. Fraser,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Bayles,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. McIntyre.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3. Refund to Messrs. Cochrane and Brien of Duty paid on case ex <i>Cuzco</i> , contents having been stolen, £13 10s. 5d.	£ 14	£
No. 4. Refund to Messrs. Haigh Brothers of Duty paid on case ex <i>Cuzco</i> , contents having been stolen, £4 7s. 9d.	5	
No. 5. Refund of Fine inflicted upon D. Fraser	5	
No. 6. H. M. Guthrie—Costs in connection with threatened actions by L. Stevenson and Son, £58 11s.	59	
No. 7. Salary due to the deceased George Tapp, lighthouse keeper, Cape Schanck, for the period 1st to 13th May 1878. To be paid to his widow, £6 19s. 9d.	7	
No. 8. Compensation to Inspectors of Licensed Premises and Liquors for Loss of Office, £1,704 6s.	1,705	

X.—COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS AND ROADS.

DIVISION No 78.

RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION.

Insert—(To be recouped out of a future Loan.)

No. 79. Picket Fence on Main Line and Footbridge over Williamstown Line near Footscray	561
No. 80. Timber Shed at Williamstown	500
No. 81. Wattle planting on Line of Railway	500
No. 82. Fencing Railway Reserve between Yarra and Saltwater River	250
No. 83. Unforeseen	658

DIVISION No. 79.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Gratuity to the Children of the late William and Amelia Howard, Railway Gatekeepers, accidentally killed by a train on the 11th November 1877; the amount to be vested in Trustees to be appointed and upon Trusts to be declared by the Governor in Council	300
Allowance to A. P. Mathison, late of the Railway Department, at £400 per annum, from 9th January 1878 to 30th June 1879, £591 7s. 11d.	592
	892

3,361

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.				£	£
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.		Maximum.		
£	£ s. d.	£	£					
DIVISION No. 80.								
MINING DEPARTMENT.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
1	2	...	Chief Clerk and Accountant...	500	16 13 4	600	500	
In lieu of already voted under Division No. 80,								
Subdivision No. 2—								
1	Chief Clerk and Accountant	475	25
Subdivision No. 2.								
1	Messenger	125	
In lieu of already voted—								
1	Messenger	120	5
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DIVISION No. 81.								
VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY.								
Subdivision No. 3.								
<i>(To be hereafter recouped from a Loan)—</i>								
For Extensions of Reticulation in the Coliban and Geelong Districts ...							3,000	
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DIVISION No. 82.								
GOLDFIELDS RESERVOIRS.								
Construction, Maintenance, Repairs, and all other Expenses, including Compensation to Persons whose Water Rights may be interfered with, and for Subsidies to Local Bodies, to aid them in constructing, enlarging, or repairing Reservoirs or other Water Supply Works ...							£4,000	
In lieu of already voted—								
Construction, Maintenance, Repairs, and all other Expenses, and for Subsidies to Local Bodies to aid them in constructing, enlarging, or repairing Reservoirs or other Water Supply Works ...							2,500	1,500
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DIVISION No. 83.								
MISCELLANEOUS.								
To Mr. Thomas Bury, in final settlement of all his claims against the Mining Department ...							139	
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DIVISION No. 84.								
LOCAL WATER WORKS.								
<i>(Contingent on the scheme of management being approved of by the Government.)</i>								
<i>(To be hereafter recouped from a Loan)—</i>								
Loan to the Shires of Dunmunkle and St. Arnaud to enable them to construct Works for Water Supply purposes ...							£2,000	
In lieu of already voted—								
Loan to the Shires of Stawell, Dunmunkle, and St. Arnaud, to enable them to construct Works for Water Supply purposes ...							2,000	
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DIVISION No. 85.								
PROSPECTING FOR GOLD, COAL, ETC., IN LIEU OF PROSPECTING FOR GOLDFIELDS.								
No. 2. For Expenses of Working above Drills ...							£3,000	
Less already voted ...							1,000	2,000
No. 3. For the Purchase of Mining Drills	1,000
							3,000	
								7,669

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

THIRD FURTHER ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 1878-9.

(14th November 1878.)

(3.) Resolved—That the sums hereinafter mentioned be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Third Further Additional Charges for the Year 1878-9 for the several services next hereunder specified, being :—

	£	£
VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.		
DIVISION No. 55.		
SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One first-class (professional) Assistant Surveyor-General, from 1st January 1879, @ £625	313	
DIVISION No. 59.		
GRANTS IN AID.		
No. 2. For fencing and improving public Gardens under the control of Borough Councils, Trustees, Committees of Management, &c., to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council	3,000	
DIVISION No. 60.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 20. Purchase of 300a. 2r. 28p. of Land at Spring Vale, near Dandenong, for Cemetery purposes, at £9 per acre	£2,706 1 6	
Interest and charges	43 18 6	
	2,750	6,063
X.—COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS.		
DIVISION No. 78.		
RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION.		
(To be recouped from a future Loan.)		
No. 84. Echuca Bridge over the Murray	4,800	
No. 85. Echuca—Additional Wharf Accommodation, &c.	6,250	
No. 86. Williamstown Pier—Additions, &c.	4,150	
No. 87. Geelong Line—Bridges, &c.	850	
	16,050	16,050

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.—FURTHER ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.—SECOND FURTHER ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.
(15th November 1878.)

(4.) Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Charges for the Year 1878-9 for the several services next hereunder specified, being—in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Number.	Class.	Schedule.	Salary of Office.			£	£	
			Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum.			
			£	£ s. d.	£			
DIVISION NO. 25.								
EDUCATION.								
Subdivision No. 1.								
OFFICE STAFF.								
1	Secretary	...	...	800		
1	Accountant	...	...	425		
1	Chief Clerk	...	...	550		
35	Clerks—					
			Four	...	320	360	1,350	
			Fourteen	...	200	250	3,215	
			Seventeen	...	80	190	1,965	
2	Messengers	...	110	120	230	
1	Housekeeper	...	...	...	50	
						8,585		
Subdivision No. 2.								
INSPECTION.								
1	Inspector-General	...	...	...	700	
1	Assistant Inspector-General	...	...	...	650	
1	Senior Inspector	...	...	...	610	
2	Inspectors to act as Examiners	...	411	550	962	
17	Inspectors—					
			Eight	...	411	550	3,450	
			Nine	...	300	375	3,150	
...	Assistant Inspector-General, from 25th March to 30th June 1878, at £100 per annum	...	...	...	27	
...	Senior Inspector, from 25th March to 30th June 1878, at £60 per annum	...	...	...	17	
63							9,566	
Subdivision No. 3.								
INSTRUCTION.								
General—								
...	Teachers	...	16	390	328,668	
...	Teachers, payments on Results	...	...	...	97,378	
Singing—								
...	Teachers	...	100	375	6,500	
...	Allowances to Teachers of Singing for giving instruction to State School Teachers	...	...	...	600	
...	Bonuses to State School Teachers	...	...	...	325	
...	Bonuses	...	...	...	1,300	
Drawing—								
...	Teachers	...	40	400	3,034	
...	Bonuses to State School Teachers	...	...	...	220	
...	Bonuses	...	...	...	500	
Drill and Gymnastics								
Training Institute—								
...	Superintendent	...	...	...	867	
...	Staff, Central Institute	...	30	460	1,536	
...	Associates	...	...	50	555	
						444,483		

	Salary of Office.			£	£
	Minimum.	Annual Increment.	Maximum		
	£	£ s. d.	£		
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.					
Temporary Clerical Assistance	80	...	200	5,000	
Allowance to Superintendent of Training Institution for house rent, per annum	141	
Allowance to Teachers for Maintenance Expenses of Schools	8	...	121	31,715	
Allowance for Board of Students	35	...	50	4,854	
Bonuses for Trainees promoted, at each	10	1,120	
Bonuses for Pupil-Teachers	4,200	
Exhibitions granted by the Minister under Regulation IX.	2,000	
Exhibitions, or Payments of Fees for Extra Subjects, to be recommended by Boards of Advice under section XV. of <i>The Education Act 1872</i>	100	
Elections—Boards of Advice	400	
Books and School Requisites	6,500	
Compulsory Clause, including Allowances to Truant Officers, Collectors of Census, and Cost of Advertisements	6,000	
Stores, &c., &c.	2,500	
Travelling Expenses—Inspectors	3,850	
Sums recommended to be paid by Parliamentary Board of Inquiry—					
Maria O'Brien	75	
Robert Gregory	108	
Henry Wood	49	
William Wattie	66	
J. C. Bartlett	84	
Thomas Carstairs	20	
Rosa Magill	24	
C. E. Merchantt, £10 8s. 4d.	11	
Gratuities to Widows and Families of Deceased Officers, £2,598 17s. 6d.	2,599	
				71,416	
Subdivision No. 5.					
Rents	8,750	
Total Division No. 25	542,800	
DIVISION No. 26.					
MISCELLANEOUS.					
No. 1. Annual Allowances to Officers who have retired from the service, and to those Officers who may yet retire...	4,753	
No. 2. Compensation to Officers whose services have been dispensed with	1,595	
Total Division No. 26...	6,348	
The sum of	339,148

V.—TREASURER.

ESTIMATES FOR 1878-9.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 51.		
Charitable Institutions	£125,00	
The sum of ... ..	...	47,000

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to vest Property held on Public, Religious, and Charitable Trusts in the succeeding Trustees without Conveyance or Assignment, and for other purposes,*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 19th November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to abolish forfeitures for Treason and Felony, and to otherwise amend the Law relating thereto,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 19th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed and taken into consideration this day.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 19th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendment be printed and taken into consideration this day.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the suppression of the Rabbit nuisance,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 19th November 1878.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed and taken into consideration this day.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until this day :—

"*Albert Park School Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Loan Act No. 608—Estimate of Expenditure—To be considered in Committee,*"

"*Police Offences Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be considered,*"

"*Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Land Act Amendment Bill—Further consideration,*"

"*Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9—To be considered in Committee,*"

"*Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*"

"*Insolvency Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Third reading,*"

"*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading.*"

Assembly adjourned at sixteen minutes past two o'clock until this day at two o'clock p.m.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 56.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER.—The Clerk of the Assembly having, at the Table, informed the Assembly that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees of the Assembly took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Service moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Berry presented—
Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th September 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the first eleven Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the twelfth Order for to-day.
6. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
7. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the several amendments were read and are as follow :—
 - (1.) After clause 5, at end of Bill, insert new clause A—
A. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council in all cases where it may seem right so to do to extend the term of detention specified in any mandate or order already made or to be made until the child named therein shall have attained the age of eighteen years, and such child shall be detained accordingly.
 - (2.) After new clause A, insert new clause B—
B. If any person for the purpose of prostitution inveigle or entice any unmarried female who is under the age of eighteen years, and who has been previously of chaste character, and who at the time of such inveigling or enticing is subject to the provisions of any law now or hereafter in force relating to neglected and criminal children, or if any person for such purpose aid or assist therein such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two years. Provided that no conviction shall be had under the provisions of this section on the unsupported testimony of the female so inveigled or enticed nor unless proceedings be taken within one year from the commission of the offence.

And the said amendment (No. 1) was read a second time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered the following words to be added thereto, viz., "and shall be deemed an inmate within the meaning of Section 2 of the Act No. 495."

And the said amendment, as so amended, was agreed to by the Assembly.

And the said amendment (2) was read a second time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly ordered that the word "shall" be inserted in line 1 after the word "prostitution"; that the word "inmate" be inserted in line 2 after the word "female"; that all the words from "years," in line 2, to and inclusive of "children," in line 4, be omitted, and the words "from any industrial or reformatory school or any house or other place where or from any person to whom or with whom she may be licensed out boarded out placed out or be apprenticed or may reside"; and that the word "shall" be inserted in line 5 after the word "purpose."

And the said amendment, as so amended, was agreed to by the Assembly.

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

8. **TREASON AND FELONY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, on the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the several amendments were read and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 4, line 33, leave out "one hundred pounds" and insert "the value of the property lost stolen injured or destroyed."
- (2.) Clause 8. Leave out this clause.
- (3.) " 9, line 36, leave out "upon the appointment of any curator in manner aforesaid."
- (4.) " 9, line 38, leave out "the" before "convict" and insert "any." Leave out "named in such appointment."
- (5.) " 9, line 40, leave out "such" and insert "the," and after "curator" insert "of intestate estates for the time being."
- (6.) " 9, line 41, after "therein" insert "and such curator shall receive such remuneration as the Governor in Council may direct."

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly disagreed to the said several amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed to the said several amendments.

9. **ALBERT PARK SCHOOL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment, the Assembly ordered the same to be taken into consideration to-morrow—Bill, as amended, to be printed.

10. **LOAN ACT NO. 608—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Assembly of the Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the Year ending 30th June 1879, under "*The Railway Loan Act No. 608*," Schedule 2, Item 4, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

Ordered—That the Report be received this day.

Mr. F. L. Smyth reported from the Committee a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—

Resolved—That the following Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the Year ending 30th June 1879, under "*The Railway Loan Act No. 608*," Schedule 2, Item 4, viz.,

For Railway Station at Melbourne	£75,000.
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be agreed to by the Committee.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Woods and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.

11. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Mr. Woods then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of a certain Sum of Money under 'The Railway Loan Act 1878,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the sixth and seventh Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the eighth Order for to-day.

13. **LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill having been read, on the motion of Mr. Longmore, the following amendment was read a first time, and is as follows :—

"The Governor may if he think fit issue to any person to whom a license to occupy Crown lands may be issued under sections 19 and 20 of Part II. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act a license to improve Crown lands for the like area and for the like period and upon the like conditions and terms as licenses to occupy Crown lands may be issued under sections 19 and 20 of Part II. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act. Improvement licenses.

"No condition as to occupation. license to improve Crown lands; and in respect of every acre and fractional part of an acre described in any such license the fees payable shall be two shillings per annum in lieu of one shilling, and every such license shall contain a condition annulling the same unless in respect of every such acre or fractional part substantial and permanent improvements be made of the value before the end of the third year from the currency of the license of one pound, and before the end of the sixth year of two pounds; and the entire sum payable in respect of purchase-money shall be two pounds in lieu of one pound per acre. Fee to be two shillings per annum. Improvements. Purchase-money.

"All the provisions of the Principal Act and of this Act that are applicable to licenses and leases and the persons who hold the same issued under Part II. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act, including the rights and liabilities thereby Application.

conferred or imposed, shall (except as altered by this section) apply and extend to licenses to improve Crown lands and to leases issued in pursuance of the conditions of any such licenses and the persons who may hold such licenses or leases.

"Provided always that at any time after the period of the currency of the license and during the term of the lease (such substantial and permanent improvements of said value having been made to the satisfaction of the Board), and upon payment of the difference between the amount of license fees and rent reserved actually paid and the entire sum of Two pounds for each acre, the lessee or his representatives shall be entitled to a grant in fee of the lands so leased, and every such grant shall be subject to such covenants conditions exemptions and reservations as the Governor may direct.

"Provided also that during any one year licenses shall not be issued under the provisions of this section for more than two hundred thousand acres of Crown lands."

Mr. Munro moved as an amendment, That the words "Two shillings" in line 9 be omitted, with a view to insert the words "One shilling" in lieu thereof.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Bell,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Cope,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Macgregor,	
Mr. Mirams,	Mr. D. M. Davies,
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Orr.

Tellers.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Story,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. Mackay,	
Mr. McIntyre,	
Mr. Munro,	

Tellers.

Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Mason.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

At half-past four o'clock the Assembly ordered the further proceeding on this Bill to be postponed until this day.

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

"Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill, Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration," until to-morrow ;

Orders of the Day 6, 7, and 9 to 11 and 13 to 15, until this day.

15. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. F. L. Smyth reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Deputy-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. Sharpe, read a third time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered that the word "July" be omitted from clause 1, line 3, and the word "October" be inserted instead thereof.

Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Sharpe moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—"*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

16. **OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT 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. Bird moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate continued.

The debate, not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock, stood adjourned until this day.

17. **DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

"Insolvency Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"

"Differential Rating Bill—Second reading,"

"Banks and Currency Law Amendment Bill—Second reading."

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—
- “ *Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate,*” until this day ;
 - “ *Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill—Third reading,*” until to-morrow ;
 - “ *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*”
 - “ *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*”
 - “ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*” until this day ;
 - “ *Police Offences Statute 1865 Amendment Bill—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be considered,*”
 - “ *Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,*”
 - “ *Forests Management Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878–9—To be considered in Committee,*”
 - “ *Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,*”
 - “ *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading.*” until to-morrow.
- And Orders of the Day, General Business, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9, until after the consideration of the eleventh Order, General Business, on the Paper for to-day.

19. EDUCATION 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. Richardson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate continued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :

“ *Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*

“ *Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*”

“ *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*”

“ *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*”

“ *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*”

Assembly adjourned at twenty-eight minutes past eleven o'clock until to-morrow at two o'clock.

J. JAMES,
Deputy-Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 57.

THURSDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the chair.
2. ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS, AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.—Sir Bryan O'Loghlen, Bart., brought up the Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and together with the proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices, to be printed.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir J. O'Shanassy moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

G. F. BOWEN, <i>Governor.</i>	<i>Message No. 22.</i>
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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 sanction the issue and application of a certain Sum of Money from ‘The Railway Loan Liquidation and Construction Account,’ ” established under the provision of section forty-two of 33 Vict. No. 360.
“ An Act to amend ‘The Duties of Customs Act 1877.’ ”
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st November 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. F. L. Smyth reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—

(20th November 1878.)

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending the 30th June 1879, the sum of £2,085,055 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.
Ordered—That Mr. Berry and Mr. Grant do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the above resolution.
6. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Mr. Berry then brought up a Bill intituled *“ A Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament, ”* and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and read a second time this day.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the several Orders of the Day, 2 to 13 Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the first Order, General Business, on the paper for to-day.

8. CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL.—Mr. Speaker having reported that the Clerk of the Assembly had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported from the Select Committee, Mr. Bent moved—That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Lyell,	Mr. Bayles,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackay,	Mr. Bell,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Bosisto,	Dr. Madden,	Mr. Berry,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Mason,	Mr. Billson,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Sir J. O'Snanassy,	Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Sergeant,	Mr. Grant,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Service,	Mr. Ince,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sharpe,	Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. A. K. Smith,	Mr. Lalor,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,	Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Tytherleigh,	Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Williams,	Mr. MacBain,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Young,	Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Zox.	Mr. Munro,	Mr. Mirams.
Mr. Gillies,		Mr. Nimmo,	
Mr. Graves,			
Mr. Hunt,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. McIntyre,		
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. L. L. Smith.		

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

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered that the following words be added to Clause 4, viz.:—"Provided always that the fact that a female is or is reputed to be a common prostitute, shall be proved to the satisfaction of such Police Magistrate by the oath of two credible witnesses. Provided also that no such order shall be made unless and until such female shall be in a position, in the opinion of such magistrate, to procure the attendance and evidence of some such legally qualified medical practitioner."

And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly ordered the words "for the purpose of prostitution" to be inserted after the word "reside," in clause 12, line 2, and the word "the" to be omitted from line 3 of such clause, and the word "such" to be inserted instead thereof, and the words "of prostitution" to be omitted from the same line.

Question—That this Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bent moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act for the conservation of Public Health."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole Assembly having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration thereof.

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

Mr. Berry moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole Assembly for the reconsideration of the Education vote.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Berry, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of the Education vote.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without further amendment, the Assembly ordered the amendments to be taken into consideration this day.

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. Berry, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Berry moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*"An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the Service of the Year ending
"on the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and to
"appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament."*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the 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 made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children.*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 21st November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to abolish Forfeitures for Treason and Felony and to otherwise amend the law relating thereto*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do insist on their amendment in clause 4, line 33, in the absence of any reasons given by the Legislative Assembly for disagreeing with such amendment; and they do not insist on their other amendments in the Bill.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Melbourne, 21st November 1878.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed not to insist on disagreeing with the amendment insisted on by the Legislative Council.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing to the amendment insisted on by the Legislative Council.

11. ALBERT PARK SCHOOL BILL.—On the motion of Major W. C. Smith, the Assembly agreed to the amendment made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

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 Major W. C. Smith, read a third time and *passed*.

Major W. C. Smith moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act to annul to a certain extent the operation and effect of an Order in Council reserving from sale permanently the Public Reserve known as the Albert Park."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

12. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Woods moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Woods, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had 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. Woods, read a third time and *passed*.

Mr. Woods moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act to sanction the issue and application of a certain sum of Money under 'The Railway Loan Act 1878.'"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

13. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) Clause 1, line 8, after "any" leave out "public."
- (2.) " " line 15, leave out "being."
- (3.) " " line 16, leave out (1st.) "public," and after (2nd) "public" insert "meeting or any public."
- (4.) " " line 20, leave out "while a sale by auction is there proceeding," and insert "where two or more persons are assembled for the purpose of attending a sale by auction."
- (5.) " " line 2, (p. 2) leave out "in."
- (6.) " " line 7, leave out "public," and after "place" insert "which in the opinion of the justices in any court of petty sessions shall come or be."
- (7.) " " line 8, after "sections" insert "although not hereinbefore specified."
- (8.) Clause 2, line 11, leave out "and preventing any obstruction."
- (9.) " " line 11, leave out "and of."
- (10.) " " line 12, after "borough" insert "and for preventing any obstruction thereof whether by the assemblage of persons or otherwise."
- (11.) Clause 15, leave out "this section shall be deemed to be included in Part I. of "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
- (12.) After clause 2 insert new clauses A and B.—

A. Any person guilty of permitting any horse to serve a mare for breeding purposes or of permitting a mare to be brought to a horse or a horse to be brought to a mare in order to ascertain if she is in season for taking the horse for breeding purposes in or within sight of any road street or thoroughfare shall on conviction be liable to the penalty mentioned in section five of the said Statute.

Exposure of horses in street, &c.

- (13.) B. This Act shall be read with and construed as part of "*The Police Offences Statute 1865,*" and sections two and three hereof shall be deemed to be included in Part I. of the said Statute, and section three shall be and continue in force in every borough and in such part or parts of any shire to which the council of such shire shall by bye-law declare the same to be applicable.

Act to be read as part of "*Police Offences Statute 1865.*"

And the said amendments were read a second time.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly agreed to amendments 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, and disagreed to amendments 2, 3, 4, and 6.

And, on the further motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen the Assembly ordered amendment 13 to be amended by inserting in line 4, after the word "every," the words "city, town, and," and by omitting from the same line the word "such," and by inserting the word "any" in lieu thereof.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed to some of the said amendments, have agreed to others of the said amendments, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

14. LAND ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendment to insert the new clause in this Bill, proposed on 20th November instant, having been read,

Debate resumed.

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

Debate continued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned, by leave withdrawn.

Mr. Bent moved as amendment, that the words "Two pounds," be omitted from the last line but five of the said amendment, and the words "One Pound and ten shillings" be inserted in lieu thereof.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed new clause—put.

Assembly divided.

Ayes, 31.		Noes, 25.
Mr. Andrew,	Sir B. O'Loghlen, Bart.,	Mr. Bent,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Patterson,	Mr. Bowman,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Pearson,	Mr. Brophy,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rees,	Mr. E. H. Cameron,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Sainsbury,	Mr. Carter,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sergeant,	Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Service,	Mr. Gavan Duffy,
Mr. Grant,	Major W. C. Smith,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,	Mr. Gaunson,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Tucker,	Mr. Gillies,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Woods,	Mr. Graves,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Wright.	Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Laurens,		Mr. Kerferd,
Mr. Longmore,		Mr. Lyell,
Dr. Madden,		
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Mirams,	
Mr. O'Hea,	Mr. Macgregor.	

Tellers.

Tellers.

Mr. Munro,
Mr. Zox.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the said amendment be agreed to, and added to the Bill—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill do now pass—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Longmore moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act to amend 'The Land Act 1869.'"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

15. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

"Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill, Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration,"

"Forests Management Bill—Second reading,"

"Supreme Court Judicature Bill—Second reading,"

"Dower Abolition Bill—Second reading."

Ordered—That the Bills be withdrawn.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 26th November instant.—

"Railway Loan Act 1876 No. 531—Further Estimate of Expenditure for 1878-9—To be considered in Committee,"

"Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee,"

"Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading,"

"Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,"

"Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"

"Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate,"

"Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,"

"Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,"

"Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,"

"Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,"

"Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading."

Assembly adjourned at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 58.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1877—
Part VII.—Law, Crime, &c.
Part VIII.—Interchange.
Australasian Statistics for the year 1877, with Introductory Report by the Government Statist
of Victoria.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. LIFEBOAT AND ROCKET APPARATUS STATIONS. — Mr. Nimmo moved, pursuant to *amended* notice,
That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount appropriated and expended in the
maintenance of the following lifeboat and rocket apparatus stations :—Portland, Belfast, Warr-
nambool, Queenscliff, Port Albert, Point Lonsdale, and Point Nepean ; also, the last reports of the
inspecting officers, showing the actual condition of the lifeboat, rocket, and mortar apparatus,
specifying (1) the ages of the lifeboats, the cost respectively of maintenance, crews ; (2) the
amount of drill exercise of the various crews attached to the lifeboats, rocket and mortar apparatus.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Lalor presented—
Lifeboat and Rocket Apparatus Stations.—Return to above Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. RAILWAY LOAN ACTS 1876, No. 531.—FURTHER ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878-9.—The
Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole Assembly of the Further Estimate
of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending
30th June 1879, under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, having been read—On the motion of
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Assembly resolved itself into a
Committee of the whole for the consideration thereof.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. James reported that the Committee had come to a certain
resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
6. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Order of the Day be
read and discharged :—
“ *Electoral Act 1865 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.* ”
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the
following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
“ *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second Reading,* ”
“ *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading.* ”
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gaunson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Notice being taken that a quorum of Members were not present, Mr. Speaker counted the House, and
a quorum not being present, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without question being first put,
until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker,

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 59.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Nimmo, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up the Second Report from this Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. PAPER.—Major W. C. Smith presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—
Education Act, No. 447—Amended Regulations.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1876, No. 531—FURTHER ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1878–9.—Mr. James reported from the Committee a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—
(26th November 1878.)

Resolved—That the further estimate of the expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1879, under Act No. 531, Second Schedule, viz.:—

Item 5.—For the Completion of the Coliban and Geelong Water Supply Schemes.

	£	s.	d.
To Mr. William Monie, in full of all claims or demands whatsoever, in connection with his contract, No. 117, Victorian Water Supply	200	0	0

be agreed to by this Committee.

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day having been read, viz.:—
“ Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second Reading,”
“ Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,”
 Mr. Berry moved, That the consideration of such Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
 Debate ensued.
 The debate not being concluded at half-past four o'clock, stood adjourned until this day.
6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the following Resolutions relating to the question of Constitutional Reform,

- (1.) That in the opinion of this House the Annual Appropriation Bill should contain grants for the usual and ordinary services of the year, and for no other purpose; and shall not contain any matter foreign to such grants.

That the Council may, under a resolution passed by an absolute majority of its members, inform the Assembly by Message that, in their opinion, any grant recommended in a Message from the Governor ought not to be contained in the Appropriation Bill.

That, if the Assembly disagree with such Message, the Appropriation Bill, without such disputed grant, shall proceed in the usual way, and the Assembly shall send to the Council the disputed grant in the form of a separate Bill. If the disagreement between the two Houses on such separate Bill continue, and if the Governor in consequence thereof think fit to dissolve the Assembly, the Governor may, at the same time, also dissolve the Council.

- (2.) That the Council may amend any Bill under the 56th section of the Constitution Act other than an Appropriation Bill, and, if the Assembly disagree from such amendments, the part agreed to shall be passed in the usual way; and the Assembly may send to the Council in a separate Bill the portions disagreed with. If the disagreement between the two Houses on such separate Bill continue, and if the Governor in consequence thereof think fit to dissolve the Assembly, the Governor may at the same time dissolve the Council.
- (3.) That the effects of a dissolution of the Council be similar to those of a resignation of each member.

That no dissolution of Council take place within nine months of period of legal expiration of Assembly.

That a dissolution of Council, if it occur within nine months before the periodical elections, be in substitution for them. If it occur within nine months after such elections, it shall not affect members then returned.

- (4.) That on disputes between the Houses as to the construction of the Constitution Act, or other Act affecting their respective powers, either House may petition the Queen in Council.
- (5.) That two responsible Ministers at least have seats in the Council.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 26th November 1878.

On the motion of Mr. Berry, the Assembly ordered the above Message to be taken into consideration this day.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Police Offences Statute 1865,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on certain amendments in the Bill, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause B ; and that they insist on the insertion of words in clause 1, line 16, for the following reasons, viz. : Because an offence of the nature set forth in the 26th section of "*The Police Offences Statute,*" of however aggravated a nature, if committed at a public or political meeting, can rarely be punished under that Statute, in consequence of the construction that has been put on the words "public place," and this amendment was made with a view to make offences committed at such meetings punishable under the Statute," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 27th November 1878.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly ordered the said Message to be taken into consideration this day.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Lunacy Statute'*" without amendment.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 26th November 1878.

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 a certain Sum of Money under 'The Railway Loan Act 1878'*" without amendment.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 27th November 1878.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed as under :—

"*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*

"*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*" until this day ;

"*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*" until to-morrow ;

"*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading,*" until this day.

8. EDUCATION 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,

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

Debate ensued.

The debate not being concluded by twenty-five minutes past six o'clock stood adjourned until this day.

Notice being taken that a quorum of Members was not present, Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum not being present, Mr. Speaker, at twenty-five minutes to eight o'clock, adjourned the House without question first put, until to-morrow at two o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 60.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Berry presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1877—
Part IX.—Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Patterson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Parliament Buildings—Second Report of the Royal Commission upon the.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Lalor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Marine Survey—Copy of Correspondence relative to the discontinuance of the Marine Survey.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Woods presented—
Wines Traffic on Railways.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly dated 31st
October last, for a return showing the amounts paid as compensation for the loss of
colonial wine carried over the Victorian Railways, giving the names of the parties for-
warding the said wines, and to whom the amounts in question have been paid.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Major W. C. Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Reports of, for the Quarter ended 30th September 1878.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. POLICE OFFENCES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration
of the Message from the Legislative Council insisting on one of the amendments made by the
Legislative Council in clause 1, line 16 of this Bill, disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly,
having been read,—On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., the Assembly agreed to insist on
disagreeing with the said amendment, for the following reason, viz.:—Because the proposed alteration
of the law would, in the opinion of the Legislative Assembly, tend to the limiting of the free
expression of opinion in public meeting, and to the undue interference with the conduct of persons
attending such meeting.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the
Legislative Assembly still insist in disagreeing to the said amendment for the reason above set forth.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the
Governor was presented by Mr. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 23.

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 vest Property held on Public, Religious, and Charitable Trusts, in the Succeeding
Trustees without Conveyance or Assignment, and for other purposes.”*

“ An Act to further amend the Law relating to Neglected and Criminal Children.”

*“ An Act to abolish Forfeitures for Treason and Felony and to otherwise amend the Law
relating thereto.”*

“ An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.”

*“ An Act to sanction the issue and application of a certain Sum of Money under ‘ The Railway
Loan Act 1878.’”*

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th November 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

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5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not now insist on the insertion of words in clause 1, line 16, of the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend 'The Police Offences Statute 1865.'*"

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 28th November 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to annul to a certain extent the operation and effect of an Order in Council reserving from sale permanently the Public Reserve known as the Albert Park,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, and with an amended title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 28th November 1878.

Title.—After "park" at end of title insert "and to vest part of the land thereby reserved in the Minister of Public Instruction."

Preamble.—Line 10, after "effect" insert "and that the land in the Second Schedule should be vested in the Minister of Public Instruction."

After clause 1 insert new clause 2—

2. The land described in the said Second Schedule hereto and the inheritance thereof in fee-simple free from encumbrance shall be and the same is hereby vested in the Honorable William Collard Smith the responsible Minister of the Crown for the time being administering "*The Education Act 1872*" his successors for the time being administering "*The Education Act 1872*" and assigns for ever for the purposes of "*The Education Act 1872.*"

And the said several amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said several amendments.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act for the Conservation of Public Health,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 28th November 1878.

And the said several amendments were read and are as follow :—

Clause 9, line 20, at end of Clause insert "Provided that the term for which such female shall be detained shall not exceed three months."

Clause 12, line 34, after "shall" insert "unless he can prove that he did not know that such female prostituted herself while in a state of disease."

And the said several resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said several amendments.

6. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council, transmitting certain resolutions relating to the question of Constitutional Reform having been read, the said Message was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Berry then moved, That the resolutions transmitted by Message from the Legislative Council involve an infraction of the rights and privileges of the Legislative Assembly, without in any way providing for the Bills carried in this House being ultimately passed into law within any definite period, and that this House declines to consider such resolutions.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 3rd December next—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 3rd December next :—

"*Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second Reading,*"

"*Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

"*Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*"

"*Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*"

Assembly adjourned at sixteen minutes to eleven o'clock until Tuesday next at four o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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. Berry, and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

Message No. 24.

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 amend ‘The Police Offences Statute 1865.’* ”

“ *An Act for the conservation of Public Health.* ”

“ *An Act to annul to a certain extent the operation and effect of an Order in Council, “ reserving from sale, permanently, the Public Reserve known as the Albert Park, and to “ vest part of the land thereby reserved in the Minister of Public Instruction.”* ”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 2nd December 1878.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

3. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the resolutions transmitted by Message from the Legislative Council involve an infraction of the Rights and Privileges of the Legislative Assembly, without in any way providing for the Bills carried in this House being ultimately passed into law within any definite period, and that this House declines to consider such Resolutions—having been read.

Debate resumed.

Mr. Service moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word “ That ” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words “ The Bill passed by the Legislative Council and transmitted to this House intituled “ *An Act to alter the Constitution of the Legislative Council* ” in making provision—

- (1.) For reducing the size of the provinces,
- (2.) For reducing the qualification of electors,
- (3.) For reducing the qualification of Members,
- (4.) For reducing the tenure of Members’ seats,

does much towards bringing the Legislative Council into more harmonious relations with the people of this country.

2. That the proposal made by the Legislative Council, in the resolutions now before this House, to the effect that in the event of a disagreement between the two Houses in relation to Money Bills, and the Governor, in consequence of such disagreement, should think fit to dissolve the Assembly, the Governor may at the same time dissolve the Council, is a further important concession in the way of solving the constitutional difficulty.
3. That the provision for a dissolution of both Houses should be extended to matters of ordinary legislation as well as to Money Bills, and the proposal, so amended, should be embodied in the Bill hereinbefore referred to, together with a further provision to the effect that, in the event of a continuing disagreement between the two Houses after a dissolution, and the assembling of the New Parliament, a joint vote of the two Houses should be taken and the decision of the majority should be final.
4. That this House is, therefore, of opinion that the Government should not decline to consider the Council’s resolutions, but should proceed with the Bill in question, amend it in the directions indicated in the third resolution, and transmit the same to the Council with a Message requesting their concurrence in such amendments.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
Assembly divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Lalor,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Laurens,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Dixon,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Dow,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Woods.
Mr. Hunt,	
Mr. Ince,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. James,	Mr. D. M. Davies,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Bird,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Moore,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Young.
Mr. Gaunson,	
Mr. Gillies,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. Lyell,
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Zox.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bent moved, as a further amendment, That the following words be added after the word "resolutions," viz., "but in lieu thereof—

1. Power to reject Supply or Appropriation Bills to be taken from Council.

2. If any item be proposed in Committee of Supply to which objection be taken that it involves a matter of public policy, and that objection be sustained by say twenty-five members, but the vote be carried by a majority of members then present, it shall be reported separately.

For the consideration of that report a call of the Assembly shall be made, and all the members compelled to vote thereon under a penalty—illness or leave of absence granted before the day fixed for the report being the only excuses allowed.

If two-thirds of the members of the Assembly agree to the item as reported, it may then be inserted in the Appropriation Bill. If less than two-thirds, but a majority of the Assembly, agree to the item, it shall then be inserted in a separate Bill.

3. If a Bill which has been passed by the Assembly and rejected by the Council be in the next session of Parliament again passed by the Assembly, and again rejected by the Council, and the Assembly by a vote passed by two-thirds of its members (after call as before) request the Governor to dissolve the Council and the Assembly, the Governor shall do so.

If the Bill be again passed by the Assembly and again rejected by the Council the members of both Houses shall within one week thereafter vote as one body (without any discussion) on the question that the Bill do pass, and the decision of the majority of the members of the two Houses shall be final.

4. Members of Council to be elected by the ratepayers of the colony rated at and over £20 per annum.

5. The Provinces to be subdivided, and number of members to be increased to 42.

6. The term of office to be reduced from ten years to six years."

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and negatived.

Question—That the resolutions transmitted by Message from the Legislative Council involve an infraction of the Rights and Privileges of the Legislative Assembly, without in any way providing for the Bills carried in this House being ultimately passed into law within any definite period, and that this House declines to consider such Resolutions—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the above resolution.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

" *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second Reading,*"

" *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate,*"

" *Education Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

" *Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

" *Intestate Estates Law Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Medical Practitioners Statute Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate,*"

" *Inglewood and Gippsland Railway Contracts—Resolution to be reported—Resumption of debate,*"

" *Customs Laws Amendment Bill—Second reading.*"

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, by leave of the Assembly, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at seven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Assembly adjourned at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock until to-morrow at seven o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 62.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*" without amendment.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 4th December 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Land Act 1869,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 4th December 1878.

And the said several amendments were read, and are as follow :—

- (1.) After clause 2 insert new clause—

A. Where prior to the passing of this Act any application for a license under the second part of the Principal Act has been made if such application be granted, and if the applicant so elect such license may be so issued as it would have been issued if this Act had not been passed.

- (2.) Clause 4, line 21, leave out "thirty days," and insert "twelve months."
- (3.) " 4, line 22, after "obtain" insert "from the Governor a Crown grant upon payment of fourteen shillings for each acre or fractional part of an acre or otherwise he may obtain."
- (4.) " 4, line 29, after "reserved" insert "or at any time during the term upon payment of the difference between the amount of rent actually paid and the entire sum of One pound for each acre."
- (5.) " 8, line 24, after "period" insert "or periods," and after "exceeding" insert "in the whole."
- (6.) Clause 9, line 29, leave out "paid in license fees whether wholly or partly before or after the commencement of this Act an amount which in the opinion of the Board shall be equal to the capital value of the land and who being licensed to occupy such residence site shall have."
- (7.) " line 34, after "years" insert "and shall have paid all license fees then due."
- (8.) Clause 10, leave out the first seventeen lines and insert—

The Governor may if he think fit issue a license to improve an allotment (hereinafter called "non-residence license") for a period of six years at a fee for such license of Two shillings per annum for each and every acre or fractional part of an acre to any person who, being entitled to become a licensee of an allotment under section 21 of the Principal Act, shall have applied for such license and shall have paid a half-year's fee in advance : Provided that no condition as to residence or occupation or as to the kind of improvements to be made by the licensee save as regards fencing shall be contained in such license : Provided also that there shall be contained in such license a condition annulling the same unless in respect of every acre or fractional part of an acre of such allotment substantial and permanent improvements be made before the end of the third year of the currency of the license of the value of One pound, and before the end of the sixth year of such currency of the value of one additional pound, and that the entire sum payable in respect of the purchase money for any such allotment shall be at the rate of Two pounds for every acre or fractional part of an acre.

- (9.) Clause 10, make the two following paragraphs into one clause (commencing with words "All the provisions").
- (10.) " B. line 11, after "provisions" insert "of Part II." leave out "and of" and insert "as amended by."
- (11.) " line 12, before "the persons" insert "to."
- (12.) " leave out "issued under Part II. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act."
- (13.) " line 14, leave out "(except as altered by this section)".
- (14.) " line 15, before "licenses" insert "non-residence" and leave out "to improve Crown Lands."
- (15.) " line 17, after "and" insert "to."
- (16.) " make the last paragraph (commencing "Provided also that during any one year") into a separate clause.
- (17.) " C. line 27, before "licenses" insert "non-resident."
- (18.) " line 28, leave out "section" and insert "Act."
- (19.) " at end of clause insert "Provided also that the day and hour of each application for a non-resident selection shall be registered and that the earliest applicant who is otherwise eligible shall have the preference."

On the motion of Mr. Longmore, amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 18 were read a second time and agreed to by the Assembly.

On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly disagreed to amendments 10, 12, 13, and 19.

Amendment 8 read a second time.

On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly ordered that after the word "license," in line 1, the words "hereinafter called non-residence license," be inserted, and that the same words be omitted after the word "allotment" in the same line; that after such word "allotment" the words "as defined in the Principal Act" be inserted; that after the word "advance," in line 5 of such amendment, the words "and every such license shall be upon the like (save as in this and the following sections provided) conditions and terms as licenses to occupy Crown lands may be issued under sections 19 and 20 of Part II. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act" be inserted, and that after the last word "acre" the words "Provided also that the rent reserved in any lease obtained in pursuance of the conditions of any non-residence license shall be Two shillings per annum for each and every acre or fractional part of an acre" be inserted.

And the said amendment, as so amended, was agreed to by the Assembly.

Amendment 17 read a second time.

On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the Assembly agreed to the said amendment with the following amendment, viz., omit "Non-resident" and insert "Non-residence."

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 this Bill, that they have disagreed to others of the said amendments, and that they have agreed to others with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

3. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gaunson, Chairman, brought up the Report from this Committee.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices to be printed.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Berry moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Friday, 6th December instant, at twelve o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Mr. F. L. Smyth moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, provision ought to be made on next year's Estimates for funds to be appropriated to the Sunday schools of every religious denomination throughout the colony of Victoria; and that the Government bring in a Bill during the next session of Parliament to effect that object.

Question—put and negatived.

6. MELBOURNE GAOL.—Mr. Gaunson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total cost of all buildings and walls to be dismantled in connection with the Melbourne Gaol, and what is the estimate of the total value of such site for purposes of sale, apart from the value of the dismantled materials.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. BAILIFF MCLEAN.—Mr. Bird moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Young, That there be laid before this House a return of all papers connected with an enquiry made by Messrs. Pascoe and Reynell into the conduct of Bailiff McLean and others *re* allotment in the parish Moolort, selected and afterwards forfeited by Wm. Parker, and afterwards applied for by George Macarthur, 1868.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Messages from the Legislative Council by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on their amendments, with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendments made by the Legislative Council, in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Land Act 1869.*"

(Signed)

W. H. F. MITCHELL,

President,

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 4th December 1878.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the following resolution :—

That this House resolves that the following reply be made to the Message of the Legislative Assembly of this date—

No reasons are assigned by the Legislative Assembly for asserting that the Legislative Council has infringed upon the rights and privileges of the Assembly by the resolutions that were transmitted to the Assembly on Tuesday, the 26th November last.

Those resolutions suggested an amendment of the Constitution Act, and the Council maintains that it has all the power that the Assembly has in proposing any amendment of that Act.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 4th December 1878.

9. REPORTING PROCEEDINGS OF PARLIAMENT.—Mr. Richardson moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the Government be requested to take into consideration, during the recess, the Report of the Select Committee on "Reporting Proceedings of Parliament," with a view to establishing a daily publication of such proceedings.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Assembly ordered that the following Orders of the Day be read and discharged :—

" *Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second Reading,*"

" *Legislative Council Constitution Alteration Bill—Second reading,*"

" *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Repeal Bill—Motion for leave to introduce Bill—Resumption of debate.*"

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

11. MR. LUTZ.—Mr. Bird moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House the report of Mr. Lutz on certain dams for water supply at Browns and Scarsdale.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. EDUCATION 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.

Notice being taken that a quorum of Members was not present, Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum not being present, Mr. Speaker, at four minutes to eleven o'clock, adjourned the House, without question being first put, until Friday next, at twelve o'clock.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 63.

FRIDAY, 6TH DECEMBER 1878.

1. Assembly 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 Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart., and the same was read, and is as follows:—

G. F. BOWEN, *Message No.*
Governor.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments, which he recommends to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Land Act 1869*," that has been presented to him for Her Majesty's Assent:—

Clause 12, line 5, after the word "this" insert the words "and the next preceding."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, December 6th 1878.

On the motion of Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, the Assembly agreed to the said amendment, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The following Message from the Legislative Council, by the Clerk-Assistant of the Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Land Act 1869*" as requested by the Legislative Assembly.

(Signed) W. H. F. MITCHELL,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Melbourne, 6th December 1878.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Governor desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House in the Legislative Council.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker and the House went to the Legislative Council, when His Excellency the Governor was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the Public Bills following:—

"An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the Year ending on the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament."

"An Act to amend 'The Land Act 1869.'"
5. HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.—After which His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, as followeth:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:
MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

It is with pleasure that I release you from the duties of the Session, which, although somewhat less protracted than preceding Sessions, has still been of such length as to enable you to exhibit patient assiduity and attention to the labors of Legislation.

Important measures have been passed, which, I have no doubt, will add to the general prosperity of the country.

I regret, however, that the grave and urgent question of Constitutional Reform has not been brought to a successful issue; but I hope that next Session you may be enabled to surmount satisfactorily the difficulties surrounding this important problem.

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Her Majesty has been pleased to express her approval of a Commission to be appointed under the Royal Sign Manual for the promotion of the Melbourne International Exhibition of 1880, and the Exhibition Act will enable the Commissioners to carry out this project, which will tend to attract the notice of the entire civilized world to the natural capabilities and industrial resources of this country.

The Loan Act will enable the national system of railways to be further extended, by several hundred miles, into various districts in which large numbers of land selectors have made their homes, and the consolidation of that system on the south of the City of Melbourne has been further secured by the purchase of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway.

The amended Land Act is intended to ease the burdens of present and future land selectors, while, at the same time it extends to persons of small capital, engaged in business in cities and towns an opportunity of acquiring, in the country districts, homes to which they may retire after relinquishing their business avocations.

The Customs Act Amendment Act confers enabling powers on the Governor in Council to make arrangements for the cessation of the collection of duties on the land and river frontiers of Victoria, and may thus lead to the free interchange with the adjacent colonies of the products of each, on terms of reciprocity.

I trust that the various Acts which you have passed tending to the improvement of the laws in connection with Civil and Criminal procedure, by removing therefrom several anomalies, will have a beneficial effect on the general administration of justice.

The Imperial Government is at present engaged in a war which may eventuate in a collision with a foreign power. My advisers are confident that every possible step has been taken to strengthen and improve our defences, so as to prevent the possibility of a successful hostile demonstration against this country.

The Intercolonial Conference recently held in Melbourne to secure a duplicate cable between Port Darwin and Singapore having been successful, a contract with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company has been signed, thus rendering telegraphic communication with Europe and America reasonably secure.

I trust that the tenders calling for direct steam services between Plymouth and Melbourne will eventuate in obtaining both increased accommodation for passenger traffic, and also accelerated postal communication with England.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you on behalf of the Queen for the liberality of your grants towards carrying on the public services and in aid of the further development of the resources of Victoria.

My Advisers will take steps to carry into effect your expressed wishes for the opening up of personal communication between them and the Members of the Imperial Government on the subject of the existing defects in the Victorian Constitution Act.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

During the recess my Advisers will mature the various Bills which the length of the discussions on the main question of Reform has excluded from your consideration during this Session, and will bring them before you early next Session ; but whatever attention they propose to give to those Bills will be subordinated to what they feel to be the dominant and overwhelming political necessity of the day—an adjustment of the relations of the Council and the Assembly on a basis satisfactory to the people of this country.

In being relieved from your onerous duties you must be gratified to know that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, the producing and manufacturing interests of this country continue prosperous, notwithstanding the prolonged commercial depression which has prevailed here as well as in Europe, in America, and in the neighbouring colonies of Australia.

In the name of Her Majesty I declare this Parliament prorogued to the fourteenth day of January 1879, and it is hereby prorogued accordingly.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Speaker.

SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1878.

1.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Casey,
Mr. Lalor,
Mr. B. G. Davies,
Mr. Munro,
Mr. Service,

Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Gaunson,
Sir John O'Shanassy,
Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Gillies,
Mr. Berry.

2.—LIBRARY.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Speaker,
Sir John O'Shanassy,
Mr. Mirams,

Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Tucker.

3.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Woods,
Mr. Nimmo,

Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Purves.

4.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Andrew,
Mr. Bosisto,
Mr. Cope,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Zox,

Mr. Bent,
Mr. A. T. Clark,
Mr. Fincham,
Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Sharpe.

5.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Dixon,
Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Brophy,

Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Hunt.

6.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH.

(Appointed 10th July 1878.)

Mr. Berry,
Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Munro,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. Graves,

Mr. Barr,
Mr. Brophy,
Mr. Fergusson,
Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Pearson.

7.—REPORTING PROCEEDINGS IN PARLIAMENT.

(Appointed 11th July 1878.)

Sir John O'Shanassy,
Mr. Munro,
Mr. A. T. Clark,

Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Richardson.

8.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed 16th July 1878.)

Mr. Bell,
Mr. Grant,
Mr. Lyell,
Mr. MacBain,

Dr. Madden,
Mr. Munro,
Mr. Niunmo.

9.—SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS.

(Appointed 21st August 1878.)

Mr. Richardson,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. F. L. Smyth,	Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Zox,	Mr. Bosisto,
Mr. Orr,	Mr. Dixon.
Mr. MacBain,	

10.—METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY.

(Appointed 21st August 1878.)

Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. Carter,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Bent,
Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Gaunson.
Mr. McIntyre,	

11.—ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY.

(Appointed 18th September 1878.)

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. Fincham,
Mr. Dixon,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Zox,	Mr. Langridge.
Mr. O'Hea,	

12.—Mr. W. R. MERRY.

(Appointed 3rd October 1878.)

Mr. Cascy,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Bell,	Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst),	Mr. Mirams.
Mr. A. K. Smith,	

13.—ATTORNEYS SOLICITORS AND PROCTORS ADMISSION BILL.

(Appointed 8th October 1878.)

Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Graves,	Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. Macgregor,	

14.—CONTAGIOUS DISEASES PREVENTION BILL.

(Appointed 16th October 1878.)

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Gaunson,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Barr,
Mr. Zox,	Mr. Bent.
Mr. Graves,	

15.—REFORM OF THE CONSTITUTION.—CONFERENCE.

(Appointed 22nd October 1878.)

Sir Bryan O'Loughlen, Bart.,	Mr. Pearson.
Mr. Berry,	

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY 1878.No. 1.—*Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Purchase.*

Question proposed—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this "Committee," the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878 between the Directors of the Company and the Government.—(*Mr. Berry.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words "it is desirable to pass into law the Reform of the Constitution before the Government be authorised to purchase" be inserted after the word "Committee," in line 1 of the above proposed resolution.—(*Mr. A. T. Clark.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Tucker.
Mr. Bird,	
Mr. A. T. Clark,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cope,	
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Mirams.

Noes, 53.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. MacBain,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Bent,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Dow,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Kernot,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. L. L. Smith
Mr. Lyell,	Mr. McIntyre.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 25TH JULY 1878.

Question—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this Committee, the undertaking of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay United Railway Company be purchased by the Government upon the terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the agreement made on the sixth day of July 1878, between the Directors of the Company and the Government—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 53.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Bell,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Dow,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Lyell,	
Mr. MacBain,	

Tellers.

Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)
Mr. L. L. Smith.

Noes, 9.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Tucker.
Mr. Bird,	
Mr. A. T. Clark,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cope,	
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Fincham,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Mirams.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST 1878.No. 1.—*Railway Construction Act 1877 amendment Bill.*—Clause 1.

The word "Carlsruhe" shall be substituted for the word "Woodend" wherever it occurs in the third subdivision of the third section of "*The Railway Construction Act 1877.*"

Amendment proposed—That the word "Carlsruhe," in line 1 of the above clause, be omitted with a view to insert instead thereof the word "Kyneton."—(*Mr. Young.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Cope,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. Mirams,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. D. M. Davies,
Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.	Mr. Macgregor.

Noes, 10.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Young.
Mr. Bird,	
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Gavan Duffy,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. McIntyre.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER 1878.*Victorian Exhibition Bill.*—Clause 13.

“The” said land shall be used for the public exhibition of One thousand eight hundred and eighty hereinbefore mentioned, and the commissioners appointed to act in respect of such exhibition shall have the exclusive possession and control of the said land until the thirtieth day of June in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, and neither the Board of Land and Works nor the mayor aldermen councillors and citizens of the city of Melbourne shall interfere with such commissioners nor with the control of the said land in any respect before the said date; and after the said thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one that portion of the said land described in the Second Schedule hereto shall be vested in the trustees hereinbefore mentioned for the purposes of future public exhibitions and of general public instruction and recreation, and the remaining portion of the said land shall be restored to the joint possession of the Board of Land and Works and the mayor aldermen councillors and citizens of the city of Melbourne to be held and enjoyed under the grant hereinbefore mentioned.—(*Mr. Berry.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “The portion of” be inserted before the first word “the” in line 1 of the above clause.—(*Mr. F. L. Smyth.*)

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

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. F. L. Smyth.
Mr. Francis,	
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. McIntyre,	Mr. Gaunson,
Sir J. O'Shanassy,	Mr. Bayles.

Tellers.

Noes, 40.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Laurens,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Casey,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Kernot,	
Mr. Lalor,	
Mr. Langridge,	

Tellers.

Mr. Mirams,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER 1878.

No. 1, Constitution Act Alteration and Amendment Bill.—Clause 8.

Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained it shall be lawful for the Legislative Council to suggest and transmit to the Legislative Assembly for consideration any amendments to any Bill to which the fifty-sixth section of "*The Constitution Act*" relates, save and except any annual Appropriation Bill, with their reasons therefor one week at least before such month hereinafter mentioned shall elapse; and if such amendments or any of them shall be agreed to by the Legislative Assembly within said month, any amendments so agreed to shall be inserted in said Bill by the Clerk of the Legislative Council, and the Bill so amended shall be deemed to be the Bill passed.—(*Mr. Berry.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the above clause, viz.:—In the event of the Legislative Assembly disagreeing with such amendments, a message setting forth that the Legislative Assembly does not concur with the amendments shall be transmitted to the Legislative Council, and if the Legislative Council still insist upon such amendments, shall if it be so minded, within twenty-one days from the receipt of such message, submit the Bill to a general poll of the electors for the Legislative Assembly in the manner set forth in Part II. for all other Bills; otherwise such Bill shall be deemed to be the Bill passed.—(*Mr. Williams.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Bent,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Casey,	Mr. Service,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Williams.
Mr. B. G. Davies,	
Mr. Dow,	
Mr. J. Gavan Duffy,	
Mr. Fraser,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Mackay,	Mr. Bayles.

Noes, 41.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Brophy,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Woods.
Mr. Lalor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. D. M. Davies,
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Fincham.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER 1878.

No. 1, Supply—Estimates 1878-9.

Motion made—That, in addition to the sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for the service hereunder mentioned, a sum not exceeding £9,517 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charge for the year 1878-9 for "Prospecting for Gold Fields."—(*Mr. Berry.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the above resolution, viz.:—"And in the opinion of the Committee the above sum should be increased by the sum of £40,000 on condition that such additional vote be not expended until regulations to be framed by the Government for the distribution thereof be approved of by the House during the present Session."—(*Mr. R. Clark, Sandhurst*)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. Graves,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Langridge,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Williams.
Mr. D. M. Davies,	
Mr. Dow,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Moore,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Fincham.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Berry,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Fraser,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Lalor,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Lyell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Macgregor,	Mr. Mirams,
Dr. Madden,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER 1878.

No. 1. Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Sale Bill.—Clause 10.

Immediately upon the execution of the deed poll hereinbefore mentioned all persons who on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight were in the permanent employment of the company and whose names are included in a schedule showing their employment the amount of their salaries and the dates at which they respectively entered the service of the company certified under the hand of the chairman of the company and deposited with the Board shall be and be deemed to be in the service of the Government in the same or analogous positions and at the same salaries and shall accordingly be liable to the duties and obligations and have the rights of persons in such service in the same or analogous positions on the said day. In estimating the period of service of any such person under the Government he shall be deemed to have entered the Government service at the time at which his service with the company commenced.—(*Sir Bryan O'Loughlen.*)

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman report progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(*Sir Bryan O'Loughlen.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 3.

Mr. Gaunson.

*Tellers.*Mr. Bird,
Mr. Bent.

Noes, 39.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. Lyell,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Billson,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Cooper,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Grant,	
Mr. Ince,	
Mr. Kernot,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Dwyer,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. L. L. Smith.

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER.

No. 2. Rabbit Nuisance Suppression Bill.—Clause 6.

The costs and expenses incurred by any such council or by any inspector or person authorized by them in entering upon any land and doing all such acts as shall be necessary for the purpose of destroying any rabbits thereon and of stopping the warrens and burrows of such rabbits on such land, and one moiety of any road which may adjoin thereto, and of burning or destroying any brushwood or log fence, shall be paid by the owner or occupier of such land, and such person shall pay to the said council (or any inspector or person authorized in that behalf to receive the same) the amount of such costs and expenses, and such amount shall be deemed to be a debt due to such council and be recoverable by any inspector appointed by the said council "in a summary way before any two justices."—(*Mr. Longmore.*)

Amendment proposed—That all the words from the second word "council," in line 8 of the above clause, be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words "before any court of competent jurisdiction."—(*Mr. Gillies.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 36.		Noes, 9.	
Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Mirams,	Mr. Francis,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Nimmo,	Mr. Gaunson,	
Mr. Bent,	Mr. O'Hea,	Mr. Gillies,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Berry,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,	Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Patterson,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,	Mr. Bosisto,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Rees,	Mr. Service,	Mr. Bayles.
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. J. T. Smith,		
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. L. L. Smith,		
Mr. Cope,	Major W. C. Smith,		
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,		
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Story,		
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Tytherleigh,		
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Williams,		
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Woods,		
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Wright.		
Mr. Kernot,			
Mr. Langridge,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Macgregor,		
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. D. M. Davies.		

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER 1878.

No. 1.—*Customs Act 1877 Amendment Bill (2).*—Clause 2.

From and after the twenty-sixth day of October One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight the rate of duty chargeable on sheep whether rams, ewes, wethers or lambs on their importation into Victoria shall be "Sixpence" each in lieu of Ninepence each as provided in the Second Schedule to *The Duties of Customs Act 1877.*—(*Mr. Lalor.*)

Amendment proposed that the word "Sixpence" in line 3 of the above clause be omitted with a view to insert instead thereof the words "one penny."—(*Mr. Mackay.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 41.

<p>Mr. Andrew, Mr. Bell, Mr. Berry, Mr. Billson, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Brophy, Mr. R. Clark (<i>Wimmera</i>) Mr. Cook, Mr. Cooper, Mr. B. G. Davies, Mr. D. M. Davies, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Grant, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Ince, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Kernot, Mr. King, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Macgregor,</p>	<p>Mr. Mason, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Sir B. O'Loghlen, Bart., Mr. Orr, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Sainsbury, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. J. T. Smith, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Story, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Tytherleigh, Mr. Woods, Mr. Wright.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Fincham, Mr. Langridge.</p>
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Noes, 28.

<p>Mr. Bent, Mr. Bird, Mr. Bosisto, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Carter, Mr. Casey, Mr. R. Clark (<i>Sandhurst</i>) Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Fergusson, Mr. Francis, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Gaunson, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Graves, Mr. Kerferd,</p>	<p>Mr. Lyell, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Mackay, Sir J. O'Shanassy, Mr. Purves, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Sergeant, Mr. Service, Mr. Williams, Mr. Young, Mr. Zox.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Dr. Madden, Mr. McIntyre.</p>
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THURSDAY, 31ST OCTOBER.

No. 2.—*Land Act Amendment Bill.*—Clause 4.

Sub-section five of the said section so far as the words "condition of occupation" inclusive shall be repealed, and the following words shall be substituted in lieu thereof and shall be deemed to be and may be cited as sub-section five of section twenty of the Principal Act (that is to say):—

"(v.) A condition that if the licensee shall during the currency of the license occupy the allotment for not less than five years, and shall fence as herein provided and make the improvements of the nature and value in the previous condition mentioned on the allotment during the said period of six years, and shall prove to the satisfaction of the Board (to be certified under its seal) by such evidence as the Board may require that

he has complied with the said conditions and with all other conditions of the said license, he shall be entitled at any time within thirty days after six years from the commencement of the license to demand and obtain a lease of the said allotment; and every such lease shall be for a term of fourteen years at a yearly rent payable in equal parts half-yearly in advance of One shilling for each acre or fractional part of an acre so demised, and shall contain the usual covenant for the payment of rent and a condition for re-entry on non-payment thereof; and upon the payment of the last sum due on account of the rent so "reserved," the lessee or his representatives shall be entitled to a grant in fee of the lands leased, and every such grant shall be subject to such covenants conditions exceptions and reservations as the Governor may direct: Provided that in the case of the death of the licensee during the currency of such license it shall not be obligatory on the executors or administrators of such licensee to comply with the said condition of occupation."—(*Mr. Longmore.*)

Amendment proposed—That after the word "reserved," in line 16 of the above clause the words "or at any time during the term upon payment of the difference between the amount of rent actually paid and the entire sum of One pound on each acre" be inserted.—(*Mr. Gillies.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Bird,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Francis,	
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. Lyell,	
Mr. Mason,	

Tellers.

Mr. MacBain,
Mr. Bayles.

Noes, 38.

Mr. Barr,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Billson,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart. ,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Casey,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Ince,	
Mr. Kernot,	
Mr. Langridge,	
Mr. Laurens,	

Tellers.

Dr. Madden,
Mr. D. M. Davies.

No. 3.—New Clause A.

The license fee payable under the forty-ninth section of "The Land Act 1869" shall from and after the passing and coming into operation of the said Act be credited to the licensee under the said forty-ninth section, and allowed as part payment of the purchase money for the fee-simple of the lands referred to or included in such license.—(*Mr. Bird.*)

Motion made and question put—That this clause be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 3.

Mr. Gillies.

Tellers.

Mr. Bird,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,

Noes, 39.

Mr. Barr,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart. ,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Wright,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langridge,	
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McIntyre,	
Mr. Munro,	

Tellers.

Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Graves.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 14TH NOVEMBER 1878.

No. 1.—*Supply—Second Further Estimates.*

Question proposed—That a sum not exceeding £19,683 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1878-9, for the services hereunder mentioned, viz. :—

	£	£
I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.		
DIVISION No. 2. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.		
Subdivision No. 1. Four doorkeepers during session at 60s. per week—arrears ...	279	
DIVISION No. 3. THE LIBRARY.		
Subdivision No. 2. Printing classified catalogue of books added to Library since 1864 ...	200	
DIVISION No. 5. CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.		
Subdivision No. 1. One 2nd class clerk from 1st January 1879, at £500 per annum	£250	0
In lieu of one 3rd class clerk, at £485 per annum on original		
Estimates	242	10
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DIVISION No. 6. GOVERNMENT STATIST.		
Subdivision No. 1. One 4th class clerk from 1st January 1879, at £200 per annum, in lieu of one 5th class clerk at £163 6s. 8d. per annum on original	£19	
Estimates		
Subdivision No. 2. Clerical assistance	175	
		194

	£	£
DIVISION No. 7.		
POLICE.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Ten Superintendents, including two for six months only	£3,375	
In lieu of original Estimates	3,313	
	<hr/>	62
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowance to Superintendent in charge of the Melbourne district ...		100
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DIVISION No. 10.		
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
BALLARAT.		
<i>(In lieu of original Estimates.)</i>		
One Senior Head Warder in charge	£225	
One Clerk and Storekeeper	180	
One Matron for two months, at £90	15	
* Ten male Warders—£65 to £120	647	
Four female Warders for two months—£30 to £50	22	
Three Laundresses—One at £40, one at £36, and one for ten months at £36	106	
One Cook	50	
One Carter	60	
	<hr/>	£1,305
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DIVISION No. 19.		
EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses		385
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DIVISION No. 24.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Commissions and Boards of Enquiry		1,400
No. 6. Expenses of Publishing Decades Illustrative of the Natural History and Palæontology of Victoria		100
No. 14. Expenses under the Vines Diseases Eradication Act, including £200 arrears	£1,200 0 0	
Compensation to owners of Vines destroyed	750 0 0	
	<hr/>	1,950
No. 18. Expenses in connection with the Wreck of the <i>Loch Ard</i> , viz. :—		
(a) Compensation to Mr. H. H. Gibson for losses sustained	£300 0 0	
(b) Passage to England of Miss Carmichael, together with outfit	200 0 0	
	<hr/>	500
No. 19. Compensation to Mr. John McAree for loss of office as Trade Instructor at the Industrial Schools, £54 4s. 6d.		55
No. 20. Expenses in connection with the Melbourne International Exhibition 1880		8,000
No. 21. For services of Auditor appointed under the Metropolitan Gas Company's Act 1878		105

* Two Warders 1st class and eight 2nd class

DIVISION No. 24.	£	£
<i>MISCELLANEOUS—continued.</i>		
No. 22. Gratuity to Mr. John Dobson, late Inspector of Police, in lieu of twelve months' leave of absence, and in addition to gratuity paid on retirement from the force in consequence of ill-health mainly attributable to injury received when on duty ...	345	
No. 23. In aid of the Funds of a Juvenile Exhibition at Sandhurst ...	500	
No. 24. For destroying Rabbits in the Northern districts ...	500	
No. 25. For defraying the expenses of three Commissioners to England	5,000	
	18,455	
		19,683

Amendment proposed—That after the last word "England," there be inserted the following words, viz., "such Commissioners being strictly prohibited from asking for the interference by Legislation of the Imperial Parliament with the internal affairs of Victoria, except at the instance and with the express consent of the people of this colony."—(*Mr. Munro.*)

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

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. Mackay,
Mr. Bird,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Moore,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Munro,
Mr. Casey,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Purves,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. J. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Kerferd,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lyell,	Mr. Young,
Mr. MacBain,	Mr. Bayles.

Noes, 45.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Bowman,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Dow,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Kernot,	
Mr. Lalor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langridge,	
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Fincham,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. A. T. Clark.

Question—That a sum not exceeding £19,683 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1878-9, for the services above set forth—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Laurens,
Mr. Barr,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Macgregor,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Mirams,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Dixon,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Dow,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Dwyer,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Kernot,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lalor,	Mr. Fincham,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Woods.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bird,	Sir J. O'Shanassy,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Young,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gaunson,	
Mr. Gillies,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lyell,	Dr. Madden,
Mr. Mackay,	Mr. E. H. Cameron.

FRIDAY (MORNING), 15TH NOVEMBER 1878.

No. 2.—*Supply—Estimates—Further Estimates and Second Further Estimates.*

Question proposed—That in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament, a sum not exceeding £339,148 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the Year 1878–9 for Public Instruction.—(*Mr. Berry.*)

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(*Mr. Sergeant.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Fraser,	
Mr. Gaunson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Mackay,	Mr. Bosisto,
Mr. Ramsay,	Mr. McIntyre.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Bell,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Billson,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. D. Cameron,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. R. Clark, (Sandhurst)	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. D. M. Davies,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Hunt,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Laurens,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Macgregor,	
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Dixou,
Mr. Mirams,	Mr. Bowman.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY.

EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES.

SESSION 1878.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 1878.

No. 1.—*Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill*—Clause 1.

Notwithstanding anything contained in section ten of "*The Lunacy Statute*" numbered CCCIX. it shall not be lawful for any justice or justices after the first day of July One thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine to make any order upon the council of any city town borough or shire in which any lunatic may be found for the payment of any remuneration either for the medical examination conveyance of or any other expenses incurred in connection with any such lunatic.

Motion made and question put—That Clause 1 stand part of the Bill.—(*Mr. Sharpe.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Bent,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. O'Shanassy,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Gaunson,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. Johnstone,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Bird,
Mr. Mason,	Mr. D. M. Davies.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Andrew,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Berry,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Francis,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Story,
Mr. Kerferd,	Mr. Tytherleigh.
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Macgregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackay,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Munro,	Mr. Mirams.
Mr. Nimmo,	

THURSDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER 1878.

No. 2.—*Appropriation Bill*—*Second Schedule.*

DIVISION No. 72.

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 2.—Refund of duty paid in January 1877 upon machinery imported for a paper mill at Fyansford, 1,227 11s. 6d.—£1,228.

Motion made and question put—That this item be struck out.—(*Mr. Francis.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. R. M. Smith.
Mr. Fraser,	
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. Madden,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bayles,
Mr. Lyell.

Noes, 29.

Mr. Berry,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Rees,
Mr. A. T. Clark,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. R. Clark (Sandhurst)	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. R. Clark (Wimmera)	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. B. G. Davies,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Grant,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Kernot,	
Mr. Laurens,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Macgregor,	
Mr. Pearson,	

Tellers.

Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Bell.

No. 3.—*Appropriation Bill—Second Schedule.*

EDUCATION VOTE.

Motion made and question put—That the salaries of the State school teachers and sewing mistresses be restored to what they were before the first of August last, and be so continued until this House shall have an opportunity of expressing its opinion on the whole question.—(*Mr. McIntyre.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Bosisto,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. E. H. Cameron,	Mr. Orr,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Ramsay,
Mr. Fergusson,	Mr. Service,
Mr. Francis,	Mr. Sharpe,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. A. K. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. R. M. Smith,
Mr. Graves.	Mr. Tucker,
Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Williams,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kerferd,	
Mr. Lyell,	
Mr. MacBain,	
Mr. Mackay,	
Mr. Madden,	

Tellers.

Mr. McIntyre,
Mr. Bayles.

Noes, 38.

Mr. Andrew,	Mr. Nimmo,
Mr. Bent,	Mr. O'Hea,
Mr. Berry,	Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
Mr. Billson,	Mr. Patterson,
Mr. Bowman,	Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Brophy,	Mr. Richardson,
Mr. R. Clark, (Wimmera)	Mr. Rees,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sainsbury,
Mr. Cope,	Mr. Sergeant,
Mr. Dow,	Mr. J. T. Smith,
Mr. Fincham,	Mr. L. L. Smith,
Mr. Grant,	Major W. C. Smith,
Mr. Ince,	Mr. F. L. Smyth,
Mr. Kernot,	Mr. Tytherleigh,
Mr. Lalor,	Mr. Woods,
Mr. Langridge,	Mr. Wright.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Macgregor,	
Mr. Mirams,	
Mr. Munro,	

Tellers.

Mr. A. T. Clark,
Mr. Bell.

