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**FEES.**—(On motion by leave) House resolved itself into Committee to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill ; matter considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution that the fees chargeable under the Bill be such fees as may from time to time be fixed by the Governor in Council reported and agreed to, 14 July, p. 48.

Motion, That the Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 14 July, p. 48 ; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to ; Bill read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 15 July, p. 53. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 20 July, p. 55.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

**FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts—(*Mr. Peacock*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 27 Aug., 1897, p. 223 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., pp. 224–5. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments ; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, and one (new clause A) agreed to with amendments, 23 Sept., pp. 252–4. Message from the Legislative Council that they do not insist on their amendments with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and that they have agreed to the Assembly's amendments in new clause A, 23 Sept., p. 254. (*Assented to 27 September. Act No. 1518*).

**FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING :** Bill to enable the mayor, aldermen, councillors, and burgesses of the Town of Geelong to grant a lease of certain lands in the Parish of Moorpanyal to the Western and Wimmera Districts of Victoria Freezing Company Limited and for other purposes—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45 ; order for

second reading read. Mr. Speaker said :—" In my opinion this is a private Bill " ; motion, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a public Bill, and question resolved in the affirmative ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., p. 98. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1507.*)

GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE : Bill to provide for the sale of certain land reserved as a site for public recreation in the Town of Geelong—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 Aug., p. 97 ; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., pp. 223-4. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 Aug., p. 228. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1495.*)

GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE : Bill to provide for the sale of the Trades Hall site at Geelong—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 14 July, 1897, p. 48 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 20 Aug., p. 98 ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 224. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1503.*)

GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION : Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of the Gisborne Cricket Reserve—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 21 July, 1897, p. 58 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., p. 98. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1506.*)

HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT : Bill to amend the law relating to hackney carriages—(*Mr. John A. Isaacs* for *Mr. Bromley*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 5) recommending that an appropriation be made of fees, forfeitures, and penalties for the purposes of the Bill, 15 July, p. 51.—Bill lapsed.

HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION : Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain lands in the municipal district of Hamilton—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., p. 96. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 239. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1510.*)

HOMES PROTECTION : Bill for the protection of homes—(*Mr. McColl*).—Bill initiated and motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee ; question resolved in the affirmative ; Bill read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 6 July, 1897, p. 30.—Bill lapsed.

INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT : Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*"—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 3 Aug., 1897, p. 69 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council, 27 Aug., p. 222. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to some and disagreeing with others of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly and agreeing to one of such amendments with amendments ; amendments not agreed to by the Council considered—one amendment not insisted on, two insisted on, and the amendments of the Council in new clause AA agreed to, 1 Sept., pp. 236-7. Message from the Legislative Council that they do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to omit clause 80 and with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to insert new clause DD, 1 Sept., p. 241. Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that a certain amendment had been transmitted in error and that they had resolved to omit the said amendment—the Assembly concur, 1 Sept., p. 245. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1513.*)

INSTRUMENTS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT : Bill to further amend the *Instruments Act 1890*—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 25 Aug., 1897, p. 104 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 223. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 241. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1512.*)

LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION : Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 26 Aug., 1897, p. 133 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Aug., p. 134. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 31 Aug., p. 228 ; amendments considered—motion thereupon, That the question whether the Lilydale to Yarra

Junction Railway shall be constructed on a broad or narrow gauge shall be referred to the Standing Committee on Railways for further inquiry and report—question, on division, resolved in the affirmative; further consideration of the Council's amendments postponed, 31 Aug., pp. 234-5; further postponed, 23 Sept., p. 252.—Bill lapsed.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT:** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Kennedy*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 July, 1897, p. 24; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 6 July, p. 31.—Bill lapsed.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Local Government Act 1896*—(*Mr. McColl*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 June, 1897, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG):** Bill for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Governments Acts to the Town of Geelong—(*Mr. E. D. Williams* for *Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; motion, That this Bill be now read the third time; motion, That the debate be now adjourned, negatived; Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 1 July, p. 25. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 15 July, p. 52; amendments considered and agreed to, 20 July, p. 56. (*Assented to 6 August. Act No. 1486.*)

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) (BILL NO. 2):** Bill for the purpose of applying a certain provision of the Local Government Act to the Town of Geelong—(*Mr. Gurr*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 June, 1897, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

**MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Mallee Tanks Act 1895*—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 46; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., p. 96. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1500.*)

**MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION:** Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the Parish of Mandurang—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 20 Aug., p. 97; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 224. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1504.*)

**MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT:** Bill to further amend the *Marine Act 1890*—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 14 July, 1897, p. 48. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 27 Aug., p. 224.

**MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*—(*Mr. Mason* for *Mr. Gray*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—House counted out, 1 July, p. 25.—Bill lapsed.

**MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 15; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 7 July, p. 34; further considered in Committee, 7 July, p. 35; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amended; further consideration of amendments adjourned, 8 July, p. 38; resumed and Bill further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 13 July, pp. 43-4. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 14 July, p. 48. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 10 Aug., p. 78; amendments considered and agreed to, 12 Aug., p. 84. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 9) recommending certain amendments in the Bill; amendments agreed to; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended therein, 17 Aug., pp. 87-8. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 18 Aug., p. 88. (*Assented to 24 August. Act No. 1491.*)

**MILDURA TRUST LOAN ACT 1896 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 25 Aug., 1897, p. 103; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 224. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 31 Aug., p. 234; amendments considered and agreed to, 31 Aug., p. 235. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1498.*)

**MINING COMPANIES' BRANCH REGISTERS:** Bill to provide for the keeping of branch registers by non-liability mining companies—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 25 Aug., 1897, p. 104; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., pp. 222-3. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 Aug., p. 234. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1497.*)

- MINING DEVELOPMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT** : Bill to amend the *Mining Development Act 1896*—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 15 July, p. 52. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 27 July, p. 62. (*Assented to 6 August. Act No. 1487.*)
- MINING LAW AMENDMENT** : Bill to amend the law relating to mining — (*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1897, p. 89 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., pp. 95–6. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 31 Aug., p. 227 ; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, some agreed to with amendments and certain consequential amendments made, 31 Aug., pp. 228–34. Message from the Legislative Council that they do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they do insist on others, that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with other of the said amendments ; amendments considered—disagreement with some of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council not insisted on, disagreement with others insisted on, and certain consequential amendments made, 1 Sept., pp. 241–4. Message from the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the consequential amendments of the Assembly on amendments of the Council, that they do not now insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and that they still insist on other of the said amendments ; amendments considered—disagreement with amendments still insisted on by the Council not further insisted on and certain consequential amendments made, 1 Sept., pp. 244–5. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to such consequential amendments, 1 Sept., p. 245. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 16) recommending certain amendments in the Bill ; amendments agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended therein, 14 Sept., pp. 247–8. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 23 Sept., p. 252. (*Assented to 27 September. Act No. 1514.*)
- MORTGAGED PROPERTY** : Bill to restrict security to the mortgaged property—(*Mr. Maloney*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 July, 1897, p. 38.—Bill lapsed.
- MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE** : Bill to amend the law relating to mortgages on real estate—(*Mr. Turner for Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 15.—Bill lapsed.
- MUNICIPAL ELECTORS** : Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Hamilton for Mr. McGregor*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14.—Bill lapsed.
- MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY** : Bill to indemnify the councillors of certain municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Taverner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 25 Aug., 1897, p. 104 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 225. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1501.*)
- PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING** : Bill to allow voting by post at future parliamentary elections—(*Mr. E. D. Williams for Mr. Rogers*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 15.—Bill lapsed.
- POSTAGE RATE CONTINUATION** : Bill to further continue in force a certain rate of postage—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1897, p. 5 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 29 June, p. 11. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 29 June, p. 15. (*Assented to 30 June. Act No. 1483.*)
- RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE)** : Bill for the purpose of constructing a railway siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve—(*Mr. Murphy*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1897, p. 49.—Bill lapsed.
- RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION** : Bill to sanction the expenditure of moneys available under Loan Acts for railways—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 26 Aug., 1897, p. 133 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 223.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.
- RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION (BILL NO. 2)** : Bill to authorize the expenditure of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 23 Sept., 1897, pp. 251–2. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Sept., p. 252. (*Assented to 27 September. Act No. 1516.*)
- REFERENDUM** : Bill to provide for the adoption of the referendum—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 June, 1897, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

**RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET** : Bill to enable the main street of Rutherglen to be reduced to a width not less than fifty-six feet—(*Mr. Bowser*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 11 Aug., 1897, p. 81.—Bill lapsed.

**ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION** : Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain land in the Town of St. Arnaud—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 21 July, 1897, p. 58 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 20 Aug., p. 99 ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 224. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 15) recommending an amendment in the Bill ; amendment agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendment recommended therein, 14 Sept., p. 247. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 23 Sept., p. 252. (*Assented to 27 September. Act No. 1515.*)

**SALE LAND RESUMPTION** : Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the Parish of Sale and for other purposes—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 13 July, 1897, p. 45 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time, on division, and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., pp. 97-8. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 240. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1509.*)

**SALE OF MANURE** : Bill to regulate the sale of manure—(*Mr. Madden*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 July, 1897, p. 23 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 6 July, p. 30. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments ; amendments agreed to, 5 Aug., pp. 74-5. Letter from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, that a clerical error had been discovered in the Bill, read by Mr. Speaker ; the House agreed to the correction required, and ordered that the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting their concurrence in such correction, 12 Aug., p. 83. Message from the Legislative Council concurring therein, 12 Aug., p. 84. (*Assented to 17 August. Act No. 1490.*)

**SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION** : Bill for the regulation of servants' registry offices—(*Mr. Murray for Mr. Prendergast*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14.

**FEES.**—(On motion by leave)—House resolved itself into Committee to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill ; matter considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution specifying the amount of the several fees to be chargeable under the Bill for licences reported and agreed to, 8 July, p. 38.

Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 8 July, pp. 38-9. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 13 July, p. 42. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments ; amendments agreed to, 22 July, p. 60. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 7) recommending amendments in the Bill, 4 Aug., p. 72 ; amendments considered and agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended therein, 5 Aug., p. 74. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 10 Aug., p. 79. (*Assented to 17 August. Act No. 1489.*)

**SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION** : Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the City of South Melbourne—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 21 July, 1897, p. 58 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Aug., p. 99. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 25 Aug., p. 104. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 Aug., p. 228. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1496.*)

**TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE** : Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain lands at Tatura—(*Mr. Webb*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 15.—Bill lapsed.

**TOTALIZATOR** : Bill to legalize the Totalizator—(*Mr. Murray*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 Aug., 1897, p. 81.—Bill lapsed.

**TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION** : Bill to regulate the use of traction engines—(*Mr. Hamilton for Mr. Sterry*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 June, 1897, p. 14 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 1 July, p. 25.—Bill lapsed.

**WANGARATTA TO WHITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION** : Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 11-12 Aug., 1897, p. 82. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 18 Aug., p. 88. (*Assented to 24 August. Act No. 1492.*)

**WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION:** Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as loans for water supply and irrigation works in the country districts and for other purposes—(*Sir George Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 27 Aug., 1897, p. 220; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 27 Aug., p. 223. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 1 Sept., p. 241. (*Assented to 6 September. Act No. 1499.*)

**YARRA PARK ROADS:** Bill to enable portions of the Yarra Park in the City of Melbourne to be excised for the purposes of public roads—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 21 Sept., 1897, p. 249; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 23 Sept., p. 252. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments; amendments agreed to, 23 Sept., p. 254. (*Assented to 27 September. Act No. 1517.*)

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LIST OF MEMBERS.

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## SESSION 1897.

## MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

*Under Act No. 1075 the Legislative Assembly consists of Ninety-five Members.*

## SIXTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

FOURTH SESSION (23RD JUNE, 1897, TO 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1897).

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll. (a)			Votes Polled for Sitting Member. (a)
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
<i>Anderson, Andrew, Esquire</i> <sup>1</sup> ...	Kara Kara ...	1,702	318	2,020	714
<i>Anderson, John, Esquire</i> ...	Melbourne East ...	3,562	506	4,068	1,613
<i>Anderson, William, Esquire</i> ...	Windermere ...	1,178	258	1,436	653
<i>Austin, Edwin Henry, Esquire</i> ...	Ripon and Hampden ...	1,861	342	2,203	757
<i>Baker, Thomas, Esquire</i> ...	Polwarth ...	2,210	282	2,492	900
<i>Barrett, John George, Esquire</i> <sup>2</sup> ...	Carlton South ...	1,692	297	1,989	632
<i>Beazley, William David, Esquire</i> ...	Collingwood ...	4,366	502	4,868	2,046
<i>Bennett, George Henry, Esquire</i> ...	Richmond ...	5,106	777	5,883	2,459
<i>Berry, The Honorable Sir Graham, K.C.M.G.</i> <sup>3</sup> ...	East Bourke Boroughs	7,101	543	7,644	2,379
<i>Best, The Honorable Robert Wallace</i> <sup>4</sup> ...	Fitzroy ...	3,378	577	3,955	2,007
<i>Bowser, John, Esquire</i> ...	Wangaratta and Rutherglen	2,153	254	2,407	548
<i>Brake, James Hugh, Esquire</i> ...	Horsham ...	1,635	377	2,012	648
<i>Bromley, Frederick Hadkinson, Esquire</i> ...	Carlton ...	2,532	339	2,871	1,153
<i>Burton, John Balfour, Esquire</i> ...	Stawell ...	1,874	343	2,217	1,032
<i>Cameron, Ewen Hugh, Esquire</i> ...	Evelyn ...	2,590	120	2,710	Unopposed
<i>Carter, The Honorable Godfrey Downes</i> ...	Melbourne ...	2,775	321	3,096	1,021
<i>Chirside, Captain John Percy</i> ...	Grant ...	1,844	705	2,549	1,064
<i>Cook, James Newton Haxton Hume, Esquire</i> ...	East Bourke Boroughs	7,101	543	7,644	2,291
<i>Craven, Albert William, Esquire</i> ...	Benambra ...	1,745	113	1,858	656
<i>Deakin, The Honorable Alfred</i> ...	Essendon and Flemington	4,297	333	4,630	2,182
<i>Downward, Alfred, Esquire</i> <sup>5</sup> ...	Mornington ...	3,265	614	3,879	678
<i>Duffus, James Francis, Esquire</i> ...	Port Fairy ...	1,633	160	1,793	669
<i>Duffy, The Honorable John Gavan</i> <sup>6</sup> ...	Kilmore, Dalhousie, and Lancefield	1,674	302	1,976	Unopposed
<i>Duggan, Daniel Joseph, Esquire</i> ...	Dunolly ...	1,551	366	1,917	868
<i>Dyer, John Henry, Esquire</i> ...	Borong ...	2,128	404	2,532	955

(a) NOTE.—Except where Members' names are printed in *italic*, the particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1894; and the date of the Member's election is, when the return is noted as "unopposed," 13 September, 1894, and, when contested, 20 September, 1894. In one electorate, however, Delatite, the polling was continued on 24 September, and this, therefore, is the date of election of the Hon. J. H. Graves. When the name is printed in *italic*, the particulars in the table refer to by-elections subsequent to the General Election of 1894, and the dates of such elections are given in the following notes:—

<sup>1</sup> Mr. A. Anderson deceased, 10 April, 1897, succeeded by Mr. P. McBride.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. J. G. Barrett, elected 15 March, 1895, *vice* Mr. W. Ievers deceased, 19 February, 1895.

<sup>3</sup> The Hon. Sir Graham Berry elected Speaker, 4 October, 1894.

<sup>4</sup> The Hon. R. W. Best vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, also Commissioner of Trade and Customs (without salary), from 27 September, 1894.

<sup>5</sup> Mr. A. Downward unseated on Report of Elections and Qualifications Committee, and Mornington election declared wholly void, 8 January, 1895; re-elected 26 January, 1895, polling 1,118 votes.

<sup>6</sup> The Hon. J. Gavan Duffy vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Postmaster-General, from 27 September, 1894.

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Fink, Theodore, Esquire ... ..	Jolimont and West Richmond	1,759	418	2,177	756
Foster, The Honorable Henry <sup>7</sup> ...	Gippsland East ...	2,072	201	2,273	Unopposed
Graham, The Honorable George ...	Numurkah and Nathalia	1,947	171	2,118	Unopposed
Grattan, William, Esquire ... ..	Shepparton and Euroa	1,871	156	2,027	650
Graves, The Honorable James Howlin <sup>8</sup>	Delatite ... ..	2,400	65	2,465	532
Gray, Frederick Charles, Esquire ...	Prahran ... ..	2,588	235	2,823	956
Grose, Walter Bolitho, Esquire ... ..	Creswick ... ..	1,448	221	1,669	895
Gurr, William, Esquire ... ..	Geelong ... ..	4,520	506	5,026	1,743
Hamilton, Walter Alfred, Esquire ...	Sandhurst ... ..	4,108	1,042	5,150	1,864
Hancock, John, Esquire ... ..	Footscray ... ..	3,766	214	3,980	1,810
Harper, Robert, Esquire ... ..	Bourke East ... ..	2,214	321	2,535	1,191
Harris, Albert, Esquire ... ..	Gippsland Central ...	2,245	516	2,761	1,091
Higgins, Henry Bournes, Esquire ...	Geelong ... ..	4,520	506	5,026	1,768
Irvine, William Hill, Esquire ... ..	Lowan ... ..	2,337	291	2,628	959
Isaacs, The Honorable Isaac Alfred <sup>9</sup> ...	Bogong ... ..	1,313	234	1,547	Unopposed
Isaacs, John Alfred, Esquire ... ..	Ovens ... ..	1,411	150	1,561	748
Kennedy, Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Benalla and Yarrawonga	2,221	777	2,998	1,232
Kerr, David, Esquire ... ..	Grenville ... ..	2,622	427	3,049	1,519
Kirton, Joseph William, Esquire <sup>10</sup> ...	Ballarat West ... ..	4,702	731	5,433	2,245
Langdon, Thomas, Esquire <sup>11</sup> ... ..	Korong ... ..	1,774	171	1,945	620
Lazarus, Daniel Barnet, Esquire ... ..	Sandhurst ... ..	4,108	1,042	5,150	1,834
Levien, The Honorable Jonas Felix ...	Barwon ... ..	1,783	171	1,954	761
Longmore, The Honorable Francis ...	Dandenong and Berwick	3,797	180	3,977	1,212
Madden, Frank, Esquire ... ..	Eastern Suburbs ... ..	4,639	305	4,944	Unopposed
Maloney, William, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne West ... ..	1,726	533	2,259	Unopposed
Mason, Francis Conway, Esquire <sup>12</sup> ...	Gippsland South ... ..	2,788	206	2,994	Unopposed
McArthur, John Neil, Esquire <sup>13</sup> ... ..	Villiers and Heytesbury	1,841	420	2,261	925
McBride, Peter, Esquire <sup>14</sup> ... ..	Kara Kara ... ..	1,684	294	1,978	847
McCay, James Whiteside, Esquire <sup>15</sup> ...	Castlemaine ... ..	2,312	685	2,997	1,133
McCull, The Honorable James Hiers ...	Gunbower ... ..	2,017	489	2,506	1,060
McGregor, Robert, Esquire ... ..	Ballarat East ... ..	2,577	529	3,106	1,428
McIntyre, The Honorable Sir John ...	Maldon ... ..	1,385	195	1,580	724
McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire	Anglesey ... ..	2,265	1,004	3,269	1,393
McLean, The Honorable Allan <sup>16</sup> ... ..	Gippsland North ... ..	1,748	108	1,856	Unopposed
McLellan, The Honorable William ...	Ararat ... ..	1,363	164	1,527	Unopposed
McLeod, Donald Norman, Esquire ...	Portland ... ..	1,734	165	1,899	587
Moule, William Henry, Esquire ... ..	Brighton ... ..	3,354	171	3,525	1,579
Murphy, Edward, Esquire ... ..	Warrenheip ... ..	1,533	143	1,676	Unopposed
Murray, John, Esquire ... ..	Warrnambool ... ..	1,649	98	1,747	742
O'Neill, Richard, Esquire ... ..	Mandurang ... ..	1,491	384	1,875	825
Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard	Maryborough ... ..	1,877	214	2,091	1,091
Peacock, The Honorable Alexander James <sup>17</sup>	Clunes and Allandale ...	1,549	260	1,809	Unopposed
Prendergast, George Michael, Esquire	Melbourne North ... ..	2,424	542	2,966	1,098

<sup>7</sup> The Hon. H. Foster vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Minister of Mines, also Minister of Water Supply (without salary), from 28 September, 1894.

<sup>8</sup> The Hon. J. H. Graves, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 23 June, 1896.

<sup>9</sup> The Hon. I. A. Isaacs vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected 9 October, 1894, polling 965 votes; Attorney-General from 27 September, 1894.

<sup>10</sup> Mr. J. W. Kirton, elected 5 November, 1894, *vice* the Hon. Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith deceased, 20 October, 1894.

<sup>11</sup> Mr. T. Langdon, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 7 November, 1894.

<sup>12</sup> Mr. F. C. Mason, Chairman of Committees, from 26 May, 1892; re-elected Chairman, 31 October, 1894.

<sup>13</sup> Mr. J. N. McArthur, elected 14 July, 1896, *vice* Mr. T. Scott resigned, 23 June, 1896.

<sup>14</sup> Mr. P. McBride, elected 11 May, 1897, *vice* Mr. A. Anderson deceased.

<sup>15</sup> Mr. J. W. McCay, elected 19 November, 1895, *vice* Sir J. B. Patterson deceased, 30 October, 1895.

<sup>16</sup> The Hon. A. McLean, a Member of the Government, without office, from 28 September, 1894.

<sup>17</sup> The Hon. A. J. Peacock vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Chief Secretary, also Minister of Public Instruction (without salary), from 27 September, 1894.

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Rawson, Hugh, Esquire ... ..	Kyneton ... ..	1,477	282	1,759	787
Reid, The Honorable Robert Dyce ... ..	Toorak ... ..	3,645	287	3,932	1,028
Rogers, John William Foster, Esquire ... ..	South Yarra ... ..	2,199	254	2,453	679
Russell, George, Esquire ... ..	Grenville ... ..	2,622	427	3,049	1,125
Salmon, Charles Carty, Esquire ... ..	Talbot and Avoca ... ..	1,618	244	1,862	Unopposed
Sangster, George, Esquire ... ..	Port Melbourne ... ..	2,153	324	2,477	936
Shiels, The Honorable William ... ..	Normanby ... ..	1,903	161	2,064	693
Smith, Robert Murray, Esquire, C.M.G. ... ..	Hawthorn ... ..	3,233	362	3,596	1,352
Smith, Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Emerald Hill ... ..	1,936	395	2,331	704
Staughton, Samuel Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Bourke West ... ..	1,754	220	1,974	Unopposed
Sterry, David Chaplin, Esquire ... ..	Sandhurst South ... ..	1,737	226	1,963	791
Styles, James, Esquire ... ..	Williamstown ... ..	2,792	380	3,172	1,125
Taverner, The Honorable John William <sup>18</sup> ... ..	Donald and Swan Hill ... ..	4,333	242	4,575	Unopposed
Thomson, John, Esquire ... ..	Dundas ... ..	1,882	363	2,245	762
Trenwith, William Arthur, Esquire ... ..	Richmond ... ..	5,106	777	5,883	2,399
Tucker, The Honorable Albert Lee ... ..	Fitzroy ... ..	3,378	577	3,955	1,524
<i>Tucker, John Benjamin, Esquire</i> <sup>19</sup> ... ..	Melbourne South ... ..	1,713	429	2,142	573
Turner, The Right Honorable Sir George, K.C.M.G. <sup>20</sup> ... ..	St. Kilda ... ..	2,695	392	3,087	1,317
Turner, George James, Esquire ... ..	Gippsland West ... ..	3,549	445	3,994	1,244
Vale, The Honorable Richard Tayler <sup>21</sup> ... ..	Ballarat West ... ..	4,702	731	5,433	2,159
Webb, The Honorable William Telford ... ..	Rodney ... ..	4,152	627	4,779	1,701
Wheeler, The Honorable James Henry ... ..	Daylesford ... ..	1,674	100	1,774	888
White, Andrew William Henry, Esquire ... ..	Rodney ... ..	4,152	627	4,779	1,457
White, John Samuel, Esquire ... ..	Albert Park ... ..	1,898	414	2,312	700
Wilkins, Edgar, Esquire <sup>22</sup> ... ..	Collingwood ... ..	4,366	502	4,868	1,830
Williams, Edward David, Esquire ... ..	Castlemaine ... ..	2,399	470	2,869	1,206
Williams, The Honorable Henry Roberts <sup>23</sup> ... ..	Eaglehawk ... ..	1,671	299	1,970	Unopposed
Zox, Ephraim Lamén, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne East ... ..	3,562	506	4,068	1,525

<sup>18</sup> The Hon. J. W. Taverner vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Commissioner of Public Works and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, also Minister of Agriculture (without salary), from 27 September, 1894; and Minister of Health (without salary), from 14 May to 16 September, 1895.

<sup>19</sup> Mr. J. B. Tucker, elected 26 May, 1896, *vice* Mr. J. Winter deceased, 2 May, 1896.

<sup>20</sup> The Right Hon. Sir George Turner vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Treasurer (and Premier), from 27 September, 1894; also Minister of Defence (without salary) and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 20 December, 1894, to 13 February, 1895.

<sup>21</sup> The Hon. R. T. Vale, appointed a Member of the Executive Council, 28 September, 1894. Was also a Member of the Government, without office, from 28 September, 1894, to 4 August, 1896.

<sup>22</sup> Mr. E. Wilkins, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 7 November, 1894.

<sup>23</sup> The Hon. H. R. Williams vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Minister of Railways, from 27 September, 1894; also Minister of Health (without salary), from 16 September, 1895.

## OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

<i>The Speaker</i> ... ..	The Honorable SIR GRAHAM BERRY, K.C.M.G.
<i>The Chairman of Committees</i> ... ..	FRANCIS CONWAY MASON, Esquire.
<i>The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly</i> ... ..	WILLIAM VALENTINE ROBINSON, C.M.G., J.P.
<i>The Clerk-Assistant</i> ... ..	CHARLES GAVAN DUFFY.
<i>The Second Clerk-Assistant, Clerk of Private Bills, and Clerk of Committees</i> ... ..	THOMAS GREENLEES WATSON.
<i>The Serjeant-at-Arms and Assistant Clerk of Committees</i> ... ..	GEORGE EDWARD UPWARD.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, ETC.

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VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1:

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1897.

1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the thirtieth day of April, 1897—which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT AND FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE SIXTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

## PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Right Honorable Thomas, Baron Brassey, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &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 fourth day of May, 1897, 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 until Wednesday, the 23rd day of June, 1897; and also I do hereby fix Wednesday, the 23rd day of June aforesaid, 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 the hour of Two o'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 thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

BRASSEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

ISAAC A. ISAACS.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

(700 copies.)

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—A Message was delivered 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 with the House went to attend His Excellency:—And having returned—

3. ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that on the twenty-ninth day of April last he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Kara Kara, in the place of Andrew Anderson, Esquire, deceased.
4. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received a return to the foregoing Writ, by which it appeared that Peter McBride, of St. Arnaud, merchant, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
5. MEMBER SWORN.—Peter McBride, Esquire, was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
6. ADDRESS OF CONGRATULATION TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do agree to the following Address to Her Majesty the Queen:—

*To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.*

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, approach Your Majesty with feelings of the deepest loyalty and attachment.

We desire to convey to Your Majesty our most cordial congratulations on the completion of the sixtieth year of your illustrious reign.

We rejoice that you have lived to be the Sovereign and Ruler of your people for three score years—a period longer than any of your predecessors occupied the Throne—and that your reign has been distinguished in a special degree by enlightened legislation, by the growth of civil and religious liberty, and by the increased happiness of the people throughout the British Empire.

In no portion of your vast Dominions are the feelings of loyalty to the Throne and affection for Your Majesty's person more firmly rooted than in this colony, which has the honour to bear Your Majesty's name. Those sentiments are cherished by the consciousness that Your Majesty, during the whole of your happy reign, has manifested deep personal interest in the welfare of your people; and we fervently hope that your life may be prolonged for years to come.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative, *nemine contradicente*.

Honorable Members then stood up on the floor of the House, sang the National Anthem, and gave loud cheers for the Queen and also for the Royal Family.

- Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Governor:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by telegraph, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, the accompanying Address, for presentation to the Queen, congratulating Her Majesty on the completion of the sixtieth year of her illustrious and happy reign.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the foregoing Addresses be forwarded to the Legislative Council with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

7. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented:—

By Mr. W. Anderson—

From certain members and adherents of Learmonth congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Bennett—

From certain members and adherents of Richmond congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Duggan—

From certain members and adherents of Inglewood congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of Tarnagulla, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Hancock—

From certain members and adherents of Yarraville congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of the Footscray congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Higgins—

From certain members and adherents of Geelong, St. George's, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

- By Mr. Langdon—  
From certain members and adherents of Borung, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Mysia, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Madden—  
From certain members and adherents of Surrey Hills congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McLeod—  
From certain members and adherents of Portland congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Moule—  
From certain members and adherents of Brighton Beach congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Prendergast—  
From certain members and adherents of College Church, Parkville, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Russell—  
From certain members and adherents of Scarsdale, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. A. W. H. White—  
From certain members and adherents of Echuca, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Prendergast presented a petition from certain colonists and citizens of Melbourne, praying that the House will make inquiry relative to the curtailment of a public reserve and recreation ground on the south bank of the Yarra River, and contiguous to the old boundary line of the Government House Domain.

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.

The petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

8. MR. SPEAKER'S NOMINATION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant, nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

VICTORIA.

—  
*Legislative Assembly.*  
—

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

The Honorable James Howlin Graves,  
Thomas Langdon, Esquire, and  
Edgar Wilkins, Esquire,

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

Given under my hand this twenty-third day of June, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

9. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The following Warrant, appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications," was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

VICTORIA.

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

William David Beazley, Esquire,  
John Balfour Burton, Esquire,  
Ewen Hugh Cameron, Esquire,  
Albert Harris, Esquire,  
William Henry Moule, Esquire,  
The Honorable Robert Dyce Reid, and  
Robert Murray Smith, Esquire, C.M.G.,

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

Given under my hand this twenty-third day of June, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.



10. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
 Report of the Council of Judges under section 33 of the *Supreme Court Act 1890*.  
 The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the  
 Table by the Clerk of the House :—
- Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—
    - Victorian Naval Forces—
      - Additional Regulation, Part III., Naval Brigade.
      - Alteration of Regulations, Part II., Permanent Naval Forces.—Section 7, Duties of Officers.
    - Victorian Naval and Military Forces—
      - Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations, Parts IV. and VII.
      - Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations, Part VII.
      - Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations, Parts I., IV., and VII.
      - Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations, Parts IV. and VII.
    - Victorian Military Forces—
      - Alteration of Dress Regulations, Part IX.—Medical Department and Ambulance Corps—Ambulance Corps.
      - Alteration of Dress Regulations, Part XV.—Rifle Clubs.
      - Alteration of Dress Regulations, Part II.—General Instructions.—Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Men.
      - Alteration of Regulations, Parts I. and VI.
      - Alteration of Regulations, Part VI.
      - Alteration of Regulations, Parts IV., V., and VII.
      - Alteration of Regulations, Part VI.
    - Rifle Clubs.—Alteration of Regulations.
    - Volunteer Cadet Corps.—Revised Regulations.
  - Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Regulations for securing the Safety of the Public.—Order in Council.
  - Mines Act 1890.—Mining Accident Relief Fund.—Balance-sheet 1896.
  - Post Office Act 1890—
    - Post Office Savings Bank.—Statement of Accounts of the Post Office Savings Bank in Victoria for the year 1896.
    - Charge for *nom de plume* Signatures in Telegrams.—Order in Council.
    - Scale of Charges, Terms, and Conditions under which Telephone Lines, Instruments, &c., in connexion with the Victorian Telephone Exchanges and Private Telephone Lines, Instruments, &c., in the Colony of Victoria will be leased.—Order in Council.
  - Public Accounts—General Regulations respecting.
  - Savings Banks Act 1890 Amendment Act 1896.—General Order No. 24.—Friendly Societies.
  - Water Act 1890—
    - Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 4 (Draft Form).
      - Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 4.
    - Bairnsdale Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 10.
    - Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Increase of Rating Powers.—Order in Council.
      - Rating Regulation.
    - Campaspe Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
    - Carrum Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
    - Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Additional Loan.
      - Regulation No. 13.
      - Regulation No. 14.
    - Emu Valley Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Supply to Trust of Water from National Works.—Order in Council.
    - Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 6 (Draft Form).
      - Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 6
    - Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Making an Amount from Authorized Loan available.
    - Shire of Arapiles and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—
      - Application of Municipal Funds.
    - Shire of Dimboola and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—
      - Application of Municipal Funds.
    - Shire of Wimmera and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—
      - Application of Municipal Funds.
    - Swan Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
    - Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Minimum Rates for the Year 1896.—Order in Council.
      - Minimum Amount of Rates for 1897.—Order in Council.
      - Rating Regulation.
    - Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Capitalization of Interest Due.—Order in Council.
      - Regulation No. 22.
    - Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
      - Alteration of Date for Election for 1897.—Order in Council.
      - Increase of Rating Powers.—Order in Council.
      - Rating Regulation.

11. **POSTAGE RATE CONTINUATION BILL.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further continue in force a certain rate of postage.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further continue in force a certain Rate of Postage,*” 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. **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR’S SPEECH.**—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, as follows:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The occasion of my calling you together is marked by an event unprecedented in the history of the Empire.

Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen has completed the sixtieth year of her illustrious reign, and from every part of her extended dominions arise the heartfelt congratulations of her subjects, and their fervent prayer for the long continuance of a reign so fruitful in all that tends to promote the welfare and happiness of the people and insure their loyalty and devotion to the Crown.

Since the last meeting of Parliament an important step has been taken towards Australian Federation. A Convention of the representatives of five colonies, elected directly by the people to frame a Federal Constitution, was held in Adelaide. The result of their deliberations has been a Draft Bill, which, in accordance with law, will be submitted for your consideration.

I trust that the Convention in its wisdom, aided also by the opinion of Parliament in each colony, will ultimately resolve upon a Constitution acceptable to the people of Australia.

During the recess Ministers have, in the course of administration, endeavoured to carry into effect the various laws passed by Parliament for the advancement of national industries.

In the important Department of Mining the encouragement afforded by the beneficent legislation of last Session has been largely availed of and carefully extended wherever possible according to your intention, and it is believed that with this material aid the undoubted and practically unlimited resources of the colony in this direction will be steadily and profitably developed.

The results of the past year’s mining are extremely gratifying and justify the most hopeful expectation in the future. The marvellous output of gold for 1896, amounting to no less than 805,087 ozs., and having an intrinsic value of £3,220,348, and the opening up of new and valuable, though hitherto inaccessible, gold-fields entirely warrant the confidence in this branch of our national wealth not only entertained by our own population, but also manifested in a constantly increasing degree by investments from abroad.

The Mines Bill, partly considered during the last Session, will again be introduced, and it is hoped that a measure so urgently needed to effect legislative reforms in methods of working, protection of life and limb, and the advancement of mining generally will receive your most favorable attention.

In order to aid your deliberations on this question, my Advisers have offered a reward of £1,000 for any suggestion which may commend itself to the Government as the most effectual and desirable to avert the dangers and difficulties arising to working miners in regard to the ventilation of mines.

The welfare of all the producing industries of the country has engaged the anxious and energetic attention of my Ministers.

Recognising the importance of preserving in the markets of the world the reputation of Victorian products, they have prepared a Bill which they confidently believe will receive your approval as a measure designed and effective to provide such supervision over exportation, as without undue interference with honest private enterprise, will afford to foreign buyers a fair assurance of sustained excellence in quality and condition of our natural productions.

The important Departments of Agriculture and Viticulture are also in various ways receiving special attention at the hands of my Ministers. By the courtesy of the Government of South Australia this colony has been so fortunate as to obtain the assistance of a gentleman of scientific distinction and practical experience, for the purpose of ascertaining how far the advantages intended by the Agricultural Colleges Act have been realized or may be supplemented. Any future action in this regard will naturally depend in great measure upon the result of the investigation just initiated.

The action taken by my Government in appointing an expert in the culture and preparation of tobacco is likely to be attended with the best results. A shipment to England of Victorian grown tobacco has been made with the object of testing the market, and it is not improbable that this will lead to the extension of a profitable industry for which the colony is peculiarly adapted.

In order to hasten the beneficial operation of the measure recently passed, authorizing assistance to the Mildura Settlement, conferences of the parties interested have been held, and every prospect of an amicable arrangement is now presented, provided further public aid to the settlement is conceded. My Advisers hope to be able shortly to recommend to you for formal ratification by Act of Parliament the proposals mutually made, in the full belief that their acceptance will place the settlement upon a substantial and permanent basis.

The system inaugurated under the provisions of the Act passed for the purpose of enabling advances to be made to farmers at a low rate of interest has worked with marked success, not only in instances coming within its direct sphere of operation, but also, as it is believed, indirectly in

procuring the reduction of interest in the case of private institutions. Since the beginning of the year, when the Act came into operation, advances have been made to farmers, orchardists, and vigneron amounting to over £227,000.

I am glad to be able to announce that advantage has already been taken of the powers contained in the Beet Sugar Act by the establishment of a company for the manufacture of beet sugar, with great promise of success. Should the favorable anticipations now entertained of this undertaking be realized, a new and important industry, adding largely to the welfare and possibilities of Victoria, will owe its existence to the judicious provisions you have sanctioned.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The careful economy practised by my Advisers throughout the Departments of State is amply evidenced by the fact that the expenditure for the present financial year will be at least £750,000 less than the expenditure for the financial year immediately preceding the present Parliament, while the efficiency of the Public Service has been fully maintained.

The Estimates for the next financial year which will be placed before you are framed with the view to preserve the same economical administration, at the same time making ample provision for the complete performance of the duties of government.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The time afforded by the present Session will necessarily limit the number of measures to be submitted to you.

The improvement in the public revenue, though satisfactory, does not warrant my Advisers in departing from the rate hitherto prevailing with regard to Postage. Your approval will therefore be sought for a renewal of the present law which expires with the current financial year.

In addition to those already indicated, Bills will be introduced dealing with the following important subjects, Life Assurance, Insolvency, the Regulation of Dairies, Food Supply, Marine Law, the Law Relating to Marriage and Burial, the amendment of the Police Offences Act, the amendment of the Land Acts, an urgent amendment of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act, and some minor matters of public importance.

I now leave you to the discharge of those high duties with which you are intrusted, and fervently pray that the blessing of Divine Providence may attend your deliberations.

BRASSEY.

13. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Mr. Gurr moved, That the following Address, in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in adopting the Address of Congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the occasion of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, and with the Address to the Governor requesting His Excellency to forward, by telegraph, the Address of Congratulation to Her Majesty the Queen, and that they have filled up the blanks in the said Addresses with the words "Legislative Council and the."

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd June, 1897.

15. SUPPLY.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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.

16. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had, that day, waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly, in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament, agreed to on the 23rd June instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

I thank you, in the name and on behalf of our Most Gracious Sovereign, for the expression of loyalty contained in the Address just presented to me, and I earnestly hope that your deliberations upon the measures to be brought under your consideration may be crowned with beneficial results to the colony.

BRASSEY.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 29th June, 1897.

3. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented:—

By Mr. W. Anderson—

From certain members and adherents of Miner's Rest, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Austin—

From certain members and adherents of Camperdown and Pomborneit congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of Skipton, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of Teraug, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Best—

From certain members and adherents of Clifton Hill congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of the Nicholson-street Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Bowser—

From certain members and adherents of Wangaratta, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

- By Mr. Brake—  
From certain members and adherents of Horsham, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Chirnside—  
From certain members and adherents of Moorabool, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Meredith, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Ballan, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Werribee, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Barrabool, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Laverton Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Werribee Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Cook—  
From certain members and adherents of Northcote congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Clifton Hill Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Deakin—  
From certain members and adherents of Essendon congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Downward—  
From certain members and adherents of Mornington, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Graham—  
From certain members and adherents of Cobram, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Nathalia, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Numurkah, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Grattan—  
From certain members and adherents of Euroa, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Shepparton, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Gray—  
From certain members and adherents of Prahran congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Gröse—  
From certain members and adherents of Creswick, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Gurr—  
From certain members and adherents of Geelong, High Church, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Geelong, Ryrie-street, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Geelong, St. Andrew's, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Hamilton—  
From certain members and adherents of West Sandhurst congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Harper—  
From certain members and adherents of Bulla, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Heidelberg congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Preston congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Whittlesea, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs—  
From certain members and adherents of Chiltern, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Kennedy—  
From certain members and adherents of Lake Rowan, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Levien—  
From certain members and adherents of Connewarre, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

- By Mr. Madden—  
 From certain members and adherents of Burwood congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of Camberwell congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of Malvern congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Mason—  
 From certain members and adherents of Morwell, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McCay—  
 From certain members and adherents of Metcalfe and Barfold congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of Castlemaine congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McColl—  
 From certain members and adherents of Kerang, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McKenzie—  
 From certain members and adherents of Alexandra, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McLean—  
 From certain members and adherents of Lindenow, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McLellan—  
 From certain members and adherents of Wickliffe, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Moule—  
 From certain members and adherents of Brighton congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of East St. Kilda congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of St. Kilda congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Russell—  
 From certain members and adherents of Leigh, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Sangster—  
 From certain members and adherents of Port Melbourne congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. R. Murray Smith—  
 From certain members and adherents of Auburn congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. T. Smith—  
 From certain members and adherents of South Melbourne, Clarendon-street, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Staughton—  
 From certain members and adherents of Gisborne, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Taverner—  
 From certain members and adherents of Birchip, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Thomson—  
 From certain members and adherents of Cavendish, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Turner—  
 From certain members and adherents of Neerim, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of Mirboo North, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Vale—  
 From certain members and adherents of Ballarat, Ebenezer, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Webb—  
 From certain members and adherents of Mooropna, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of Tatura, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

Mr. Deakin presented a petition from John Robertson, M.A., of Moonee Ponds, praying that the House will take steps to thoroughly sift the principles advocated by petitioner in respect to money law.

Mr. Madden presented a petition from the President and Councillors of the Shire of Boroondara, under the common seal of the said corporation, praying that the House will direct that an inquiry may be instituted into the management of the Outer Circle Railway, from Camberwell to Ashburton, in the Shire of Boroondara, with a view that the same may be forthwith re-opened for traffic under a system considerably less expensive than the former, whilst affording adequate facilities to the travelling public.

On the motion of Mr. Madden, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.

The petition was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Prendergast presented a petition from Charles Hakauson, praying that the House will cause inquiries to be made as to the injuries received by him through being thrown from a railway carriage in May, 1887.

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.

The petition was read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

*Message No. 1.*

In accordance with section 5 of *The (Victorian) Federal Council Act 1885*, the Governor notifies to the Legislative Assembly that on 24th December, 1896, with the advice of the Executive Council, and under the provisions of section 3 of the said Act, he appointed—

The Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon, K.C.M.G., Q.C., Member of the Legislative Council,  
and

The Honorable Sir John McIntyre, Member of the Legislative Assembly,

to be Representatives of the Colony of Victoria in the Federal Council of Australasia, in place of the Honorable John Mark Davies resigned and the Honorable Sir James Brown Patterson, K.C.M.G., M.P., deceased.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 23rd June, 1897.

5. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

British New Guinea—Annual Report on—from 1st July, 1895, to 30th June, 1896, with Appendices.

Post Office and Telegraph Department (Engineering and Electrical Branch).—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into certain Charges against the Engineering and Electrical Branch of the Post Office and Telegraph Department, and as to the Management thereof, &c.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895—

Part VIII.—Production.

Part IX.—Social Condition.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

Education Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

Factories and Shops Acts.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

Fire Brigades Acts—

Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1896, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1896, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1896.

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report upon the Affairs of—for the year 1896.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.

Savings Banks Act 1890 Amendment Act 1896.—General Order No. 25.—Rules and Regulations.

Water Act 1890—

Shire of Shepparton Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £7,500.—Detailed Statement and Report.

Yarrowonga Urban and Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £500.—Detailed Statement and Report.

6. POSTAGE RATE CONTINUATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 2.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the first three months of the year 1897-8, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 29th June, 1897.

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

8. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding £1,200,592 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1897-8, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council	315
2. Legislative Assembly	2,500
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	100
4. Victorian Parliamentary Debates	770
5. The Library	630
6. Refreshment Rooms	300
7. Parliament Gardens	130
8. Administrative and Scientific	9,280
9. Government Statist	2,680
10. Police	67,000
11. Penal Establishments and Gaols	13,190
12. Hospitals for the Insane	27,745
13. Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	11,960
14. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery	4,125
15. Government Shorthand Writer	530
16. Audit Office and Public Service Board	2,340
17. Aborigines	1,210
18. Exhibitions	315
19. Grants	1,040
20. Miscellaneous	8,140
21. Education	6,444
22. Do.	122,440
23. Melbourne University	813
24. Technical Schools	3,000
25. Miscellaneous	829
26. Supreme Court	1,033
27. Law Officers of the Crown	3,635
28. Crown Solicitor	1,306



Division No.	£
29. Prothonotary ... ..	508
30. Master in Equity and Lunacy ... ..	1,075
31. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles ... ..	5,903
32. Patents ... ..	594
33. Sheriff ... ..	4,433
34. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions ... ..	4,693
35. Police Magistrates and Wardens ... ..	3,379
36. Clerks of Courts ... ..	4,920
37. Coroners ... ..	1,522
38. Treasury ... ..	6,413
39. Income Tax ... ..	2,660
40. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons ... ..	365
41. Government Printer ... ..	16,283
42. Advertising ... ..	1,200
43. Grant to Charitable Institutions ... ..	25,000
44. Transport, &c. ... ..	500
45. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure ... ..	1,000
46. Miscellaneous ... ..	20
47. Allowance to Railway Department for carriage of Victorian Coal ... ..	3,000
48. Advance to Treasurer ... ..	150,000
49. Defence ... ..	42,150
50. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands ... ..	12,280
51. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves ... ..	766
52. Botanical and Domain Gardens ... ..	1,683
53. Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax Act ... ..	177
54. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals ... ..	4,113
55. State Forests and Nurseries ... ..	2,972
56. Village Settlements and Labour Colonies ... ..	2,125
57. Miscellaneous ... ..	150
58. Public Works ... ..	7,705
59. Miscellaneous ... ..	140
60. Works and Buildings ... ..	29,450
61. Defence Works and Buildings ... ..	2,500
62. Road Works and Bridges ... ..	4,000
63. Trade and Customs ... ..	14,453
64. Ports and Harbors, Mercantile, Marine, and Fisheries ... ..	7,098
65. Distilleries, Excise, and Explosives... ..	2,599
66. Marine Board ... ..	880
67. Miscellaneous ... ..	292
68. Post and Telegraph Offices ... ..	88,767
69. Telegraph Lines ... ..	6,000
70. Mail Service ... ..	23,750
71. Miscellaneous ... ..	142
72. Mines and Water Supply ... ..	8,055
73. Prospecting for Gold and Coal ... ..	300
74. Waterworks in Country Districts ... ..	375
75. Coliban, Geelong, and National Works ... ..	4,500
76. Miscellaneous ... ..	1,900
77. Agriculture and Industries ... ..	1,119
78. Experimental Cultivation ... ..	50
79. Vine Diseases Eradication ... ..	8,000
80. Scab Prevention and Diseases in Stock ... ..	1,308
81. Grants... ..	5,000
82. Public Health ... ..	3,815
83. Victorian Railways ... ..	383,000
84. Miscellaneous ... ..	1,710
	£1,200,592

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

11. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason 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 1897–8, the sum of £1,200,592 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

12. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred thousand five hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and ninety-eight,*” 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.

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

13. **DAYS OF BUSINESS.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, and Three o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. **ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday and Thursday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. **ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND PRIVATE BUSINESS.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That on Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business until Half-past Eight o'clock; after that hour business shall be called on in the following order, viz.:—

On one Wednesday—

*Private Bill Business.*

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

*General Business:*

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

On the alternate Wednesday—

*General Business:*

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

*Private Bill Business:*

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graves, Mr. Mason, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Sir George Turner, Mr. Vale, and Mr. Wheeler; five to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

17. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Madden, and Mr. Shiels.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

18. **PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graham, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Taverner, and Mr. Webb.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
19. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Rawson; three to be the quorum.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
20. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Austin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Wilkins.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
21. **COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session :—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Carter, Mr. Deakin, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr. Wheeler; three to be the quorum.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
22. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—Mr. Hamilton moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Sterry, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the use of traction engines.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Sterry and Mr. O'Neill do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Hamilton (on behalf of Mr. Sterry) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the use of Traction Engines,*" 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.
23. **HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. John A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bromley, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to hackney carriages.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Bromley and Mr. John A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. John A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Hackney Carriages,*" 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.
24. **SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.**—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Prendergast, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation of servants' registry offices.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Murray do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Murray then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Regulation of Servants' Registry Offices,*" 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.
25. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL.**—Mr. E. D. Williams moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Higgins, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Government Acts to the town of Geelong.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. Gurr do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. E. D. Williams (on behalf of Mr. Higgins) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Government Acts to the Town of Geelong,*" 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.
26. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Mason moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Gray, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Gray and Mr. Wilkins do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Mason (on behalf of Mr. Gray) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890,'*" 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.
27. **MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL.**—Mr. Hamilton moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. McGregor, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. McGregor and Mr. Hamilton do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Hamilton then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" 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.

28. **MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL.**—Mr. Turner moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O'Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to mortgages on real estate.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Mortgages on Real Estate,*" 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.
29. **TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL.**—Mr. Webb moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain lands at Tatura.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Webb and Mr. McColl do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Webb then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain Lands at Tatura,*" 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.
30. **PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL.**—Mr. E. D. Williams moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Rogers, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow voting by post at future parliamentary elections.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Rogers and Mr. McColl do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. E. D. Williams (on behalf of Mr. Rogers) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to allow Voting by Post at future Parliamentary Elections,*" 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.
31. **GRAIN TRAFFIC ON GIPPSLAND RAILWAYS.**—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Vale, That there be laid before this House a return showing the tonnage of all flour, wheat, and other grain received at all stations east of Dandenong on the Gippsland and Great Southern lines.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
32. **ALIENS BILL.**—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Vale, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to aliens and others.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Vale and Mr. Graves do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Graves then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Aliens and others,*" 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.
33. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered that Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893,*" 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.
34. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to further continue in force a certain Rate of Postage*" without amendment.  
Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 29th June, 1897.  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Fink—  
From certain members and adherents of Cairns Memorial congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Grattan—  
From certain members and adherents of the Benalla Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Harris—  
From certain members and adherents of Rosedale, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Sale, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Sale, Gippsland.
  - By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs—  
From certain members and adherents of Beechworth, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, on behalf of Mr. Gavan Duffy—  
From certain members and adherents of the Lancefield Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, on behalf of Sir George Turner—  
From certain members and adherents of the St. Kilda and Elsternwick Wesleyan Methodist Churches.
  - By Mr. Langdon—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church worshipping at Mount Gowar in the Charlton Circuit.
  - By Mr. Madden—  
From certain members and adherents of Kew congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. McKenzie—  
From certain members and adherents of Seymour, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Outtrim—  
From certain members and adherents of Maryborough congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Styles—  
From certain members and adherents of Williamstown North congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Thomson—  
From certain members and adherents of Balmoral, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Rawson—  
From certain members and adherents of Kyneton, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Woodend, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Wilkins—  
From certain members and adherents of Abbotsford, Collingwood, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 3.

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 further continue in force a certain Rate of Postage.”

“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred thousand five hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and ninety-eight.”

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 30th June, 1897.

4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL.—Mr. Taverner moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of live stock, meat, dairy produce, fruit, and other products intended for export and to regulate the exportation thereof.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Taverner and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Taverner then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Live Stock, Meat, Dairy Produce, Fruit, and other Products intended for Export and to regulate the Exportation thereof,” 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.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of General Business.
6. REFERENDUM BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the adoption of the referendum.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Higgins do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill to provide for the adoption of the Referendum,” 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. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Gurr moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of applying a certain provision of the Local Government Act to the Town of Geelong.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Gurr and Mr. Higgins do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Gurr then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill for the purpose of applying a certain provision of the Local Government Act to the Town of Geelong,” 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.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1896.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Langdon do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill to amend the ‘Local Government Act 1896,’” 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. EMPLOYERS’ LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. Hamilton do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen,” and moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill as amended in Committee.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Harper moved, as an amendment, That the words “the consideration of the Bill as amended in Committee” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “and inclusive of the second reading.”  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Question—That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill as amended in Committee—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill 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. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Irvine, read a third time.

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

Clause 1, line 5, omit "1896" and insert "1897."

Clause 13, line 2, omit "*extend the operation of*" and insert "*further continue in force.*"

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 29th June, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

11. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order relating to the order of business be suspended so far as to allow General Business to take precedence of Government Business to-morrow and on Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice—

1. That, with the view of enabling our railways to pay, and thus bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such land owned by them, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estates shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land as set out by *The Land Tax Act 1877* held by one family shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bromley.

Noes, 57.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it passed in the negative.

13. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this colony.

Mr. Prendergast moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion :—“and that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall be compelled to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such disputes under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Burton,
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Prendergast.
Mr. McBride,	

Noes, 24

Mr. Best,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. McLellan,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Madden.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate ensued on the original motion, as amended.

Question—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this colony, and that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall be compelled to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such disputes under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Wilkins.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Craven.

Noes, 49.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McBride,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Salmon moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Dog Act* 1890.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Salmon and Mr. W. Anderson do prepare and bring in the Bill.



Mr. Salmon then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Dog Act 1890,'*" and moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

**Ayes, 51.**

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. McBride,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Harper,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Lazarus.

**Noes, 10.**

Mr. Baker,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Russell,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Salmon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, and the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

THURSDAY, 1ST JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
- By Mr. Cook—  
From certain members and adherents of the Northcote Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Langdon—  
From certain members and adherents of Korong Vale, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Langdon, on behalf of Sir John McIntyre—  
From certain members and adherents of Maldon, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McLellan—  
From certain members and adherents of Ararat, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Salmon—  
From certain members and adherents of the Redbank Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesley Church at Avoca.  
From certain members and adherents of the Natte Yallock Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From Jno. F. Paten, styling himself chairman, on behalf of certain citizens of Avoca in meeting assembled.
- By Mr. Taverner—  
From certain members and adherents of the Donald Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Avon Plains Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Swanwater Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Turner—  
From certain members and adherents of the Leongatha Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Neerena Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Lyrebird Mound Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- Mr. Cook presented a petition from George Cannon, of Weston-street, Brunswick, contractor, having a contract with the Public Works Department which was subsequently cancelled, praying that such relief may be awarded him as to the House may seem meet.
- Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL.—Mr. Madden moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale of manure.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Madden and Mr. Austin do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Madden then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the Sale of Manure,*" 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 on Tuesday next.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Kennedy moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Kennedy then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Local Government Act 1890,’*” 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 on Tuesday next.
5. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Turner moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O’Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Auction Sales Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. O’Neill and Mr. Duggan do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Duggan then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Auction Sales Act 1890,’*” 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 on Tuesday next.
6. RESERVATION OF LANDS BETWEEN SWAN HILL AND MILDURA.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the reservation of certain lands on the bank of the River Murray from Swan Hill to Mildura.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
7. CLAIMS OF CONTRACTORS AGAINST THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the money claims of Messrs. Falkingham, R. Thornton, Weeks and Co., Graham and Waddick, and James Moore against the Railway Department under certain contracts made between them and the Department, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Craven, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Rawson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover; such Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Salmon moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Salmon, read a third time.  
On the motion of Mr. Salmon, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:—  
Clause A, line 12, omit “thereupon” and insert “every.”  
Same clause and line, after “Proclamation” insert “until revoked.”  
Mr. Cameron (on behalf of Mr. McColl) offered the following clause to be added to the Bill, viz.:—  
B. Subject to the provisions of this Act the fee for the registration of any dog in any municipality shall be such sum (if any) not exceeding Five shillings as may be fixed by the council of the municipality.  
And the said clause was read a second and third time.  
Mr. Cameron moved, That the clause be added to the Bill.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

## Ayes, 22.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O’Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McBride,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Salmon.

## Noes, 29.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Maddeu,	Mr. T. Smith.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

9. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Sterry moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Mr. Taverner moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
And, after debate—  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 4th August next.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until Wednesday next, and that the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Higgins 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. Higgins moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Higgins, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Higgins moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.  
Mr. Madden moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
And, after debate—  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.  
Question—That this Bill be now read a third time—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Gray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.
- Notice being taken that a quorum of Members was not present, Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members not being present, Mr. Speaker, at thirty-nine minutes past seven o'clock, adjourned the House, without Question being first put, until Tuesday next.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 6TH JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

- By Mr. W. Anderson—  
From certain members and adherents of Windermere congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Baker—  
From certain members and adherents of Birregurra, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Beazley—  
From certain members and adherents of Collingwood congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Bromley—  
From certain members and adherents of Prince's Hill congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of North Carlton congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Burton—  
From certain members and adherents of the Stawell Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Chirnside—  
From certain members and adherents of the Steiglitz Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Gordon Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Mount Egerton.
- By Mr. Cook—  
From certain members and adherents of Lancefield, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Brunswick Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of Coburg congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Craven—  
From certain members and adherents of Yackandandah, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Corryong, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Duffus—  
From certain members and adherents of Koroit, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Graham—  
From certain members and adherents of Dookie, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Tallygaroopna Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Grose—  
From certain members and adherents of Smeaton, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

- By Mr. Gurr—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at South Geelong.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Geelong East.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Geelong.
- By Mr. Irvine—  
 From certain members and adherents of Nhill, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Jeparit Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Antwerp Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Kennedy—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Kirton—  
 From certain members and adherents of Ballarat (St. Andrew's) congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Garibaldi Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Black Lead Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Scotchmans Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Buninyong Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Church, Sebastopol.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Alfredton Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Ballarat (Macarthur-street) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Ballarat (Pleasant-street) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Ballarat (Lydiard-street) Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Langdon, on behalf of Sir John McIntyre—  
 From certain members and adherents of Newstead, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Longmore—  
 From certain members and adherents of Mentone, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Madden—  
 From certain members and adherents of Malvern East, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Maloney—  
 From certain members and adherents of North Melbourne congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McColl—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Kerang Wesleyan Methodist Churches.
- By Mr. McGregor—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Barkly-street, Ballarat.
- By Mr. McKenzie—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wood's Point District.
- By Mr. McLean—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Paynesville Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Bairnsdale Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of Stratford, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. McLellan—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Ararat Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Cathcart Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Crowlands Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Elmhurst and Eversley Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Jallukar Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Moyston Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Moule—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Mill-street, Brighton North.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Were-street, Brighton.  
 From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at New-street, Brighton.  
 From certain members and adherents of Elsternwick congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Murphy—  
 From certain members and adherents of the Millbrook Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Murray—  
 From certain members and adherents of Woodford, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

- By Mr. Outtrim—  
From certain members and adherents of the Majorca Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Rogers—  
From certain members and adherents of South Yarra congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Russell—  
From certain members and adherents of Rokewood, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Carngham, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Salmon—  
From certain members and adherents of the Amherst Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Talbot Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of Avoca, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Talbot, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. R. Murray Smith—  
From certain members and adherents of Hawthorn congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Staughton—  
From certain members and adherents of the Gisborne Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Toolern Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Macedon Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Taverner—  
From certain members and adherents of the Dooboobetic Wesleyan Methodist Church, Charlton Circuit.  
From certain members and adherents of the Granite Flat (Charlton Circuit) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of Quambatook, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Birchip Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Birchip (at Birchip West) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Birchip (at Dry Tank) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wycheproof Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Towaninnie Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Tyrrell Creek Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Quambatook South Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Ninyeunook Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Corack Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Turner—  
From certain members and adherents of Warragul, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Vale—  
From certain members and adherents of Ballarat, Scots' Church, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
- By Mr. Webb—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. Wheeler—  
From certain members and adherents of Daylesford, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Daylesford District.
- By Mr. A. W. H. White—  
From certain members and adherents of the Echuca Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- By Mr. E. D. Williams—  
From certain members and adherents of the Brunswick Congregational Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Castlemaine Congregational Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the Castlemaine Circuit.  
From certain members and adherents of the Camberwell Congregational Church.
- By Mr. Zox—  
From certain members and adherents of St. Andrew's, Carlton, congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

Mr. Cook presented a petition from Christopher Sparling, of Northcote, in the colony of Victoria, ex-Constable of the Victoria Police Force, praying that the House will take his case into consideration and grant him such redress as it may deem fit.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.



3. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Australasian Federal Convention, held at Parliament House, Adelaide, during months of March, April, and May, 1897—Proceedings of the.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1896.

Customs Act 1890—

Drawback Regulations amended.—Order in Council.

Addition to Drawback Regulations.—Order in Council.

Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890—

Minor Articles used in Manufacture—

Harness, Saddles, and Whips—Cattle Tie Iron (for Halters).

Apparel and Articles of Attire—Web Ends for Braces.

Apparel and Articles of Attire—Web and Cord Ends for Braces.

Top Banding for Boots and Shoes.

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Order in Council.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Close Season, North Arm, or Limeburners' Bay, Inner Harbour, Geelong.

Land Act 1890, Part I.—Regulations amended and consolidated.—Order in Council.

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Pilotage Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 31st December, 1896 ; together with the Audit Commissioners' Certificate thereon.

Water Act 1890.—Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Supply of Water to Irrigation Colonies outside the Trust District.—Order in Council.

4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of homes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Fink do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Protection of Homes*," and moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. McColl, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason 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, 21st July instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. ELECTIONS BY THE HARE SYSTEM IN TASMANIA.—Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, pursuant to amended notice—

(a) That there be laid before this House a copy of the following papers :—

1. The Hare System in Tasmania. By Professor Jethro Brown, being a paper read before the Royal Society of Tasmania, and reprinted at the *Tasmanian News* Office, Collins-street, Hobart.

2. Observations on the Working Results of the Hare System of Election in Tasmania. By R. M. Johnston, Government Statistician, Tasmania. Office of Government Printer, Tasmania.

3. Statute regulating the Elections by the Hare System in Tasmania.

(b) That the foregoing papers, when presented, be printed and circulated as Parliamentary Papers.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. SALE OF MANURE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Madden 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. Madden moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Madden, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Wilkins 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. Madden, read a third time.

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

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Kennedy 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. Kennedy moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until Wednesday, 4th August next, and that the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 11 be postponed until Wednesday, 18th August next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive and Nos. 12 and 13 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

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 WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Austin—
    - From certain members and adherents of Beaufort, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Terang Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Mortlake Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Best—
    - From certain members and adherents of Fitzroy congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Cameron—
    - From certain members and adherents of Kangaroo Ground, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Downward—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Frankston Circuit of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of Cowes, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Foster—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Wy Yung West Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Lower Nicholson Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Graves—
    - From certain members and adherents of Mansfield, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Harris—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Driffield Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Morwell Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Traralgon Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Toongabbie Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Willung Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. John A. Isaacs—
    - From certain members and adherents of Bright, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Levien—

From certain members and adherents of Bellarine, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of Queenscliff congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of the Paywit Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at St. Albans.

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Germantown.

From certain members and adherents of the Bellarine Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Mount Duneed.

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Belmont.

From certain members and adherents of the Drysdale Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. McGregor—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Outtrim, on behalf of Mr. Shiels—

From certain members and adherents of the Carapook Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Casterton Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of Coleraine, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Peacock—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in the Clunes District.

By Mr. E. D. Williams—

From Edwd. Taylor, styling himself Chairman, and John Nally, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Congregational Union of Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Public Service Board—Report.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Victorian Railways—

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st December, 1896.

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st March, 1897.

Return of Special Passenger Rates for quarter ending 31st December, 1896.

Return of Special Goods Rates for quarter ending 31st December, 1896.

Return of Special Passenger Rates for quarter ending 31st March, 1897.

Return of Special Goods Rates for quarter ending 31st March, 1897.

4. PROVISION FOR AGED POOR COMMISSION.—Mr. Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Order in Council appointing the Provision for Aged Poor Commission.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. PAPER.—Mr. Peacock presented—

Provision for Aged Poor Commission.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

6. EXPENDITURE BY AGED POOR COMMISSION.—Mr. Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to the Maintenance of the Aged Poor having incurred liabilities to the amount of the maximum expenditure fixed by the Order in Council appointing the Commission, and not yet having completed such inquiry, this House concurs in the expenditure by such Royal Commission, for the purposes of their inquiry and report, of a further amount of £310.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

8. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next, and have precedence on that day until half-past eight o'clock.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Bowser—  
From certain members and adherents of Rutherglen, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Langdon—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Conover.
  - By Mr. Styles—  
From certain members and adherents of the Newport Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Williamstown Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. COMPANIES ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend section thirty-one of the *Companies Act 1896*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896,'*" 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason 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. Isaac A. Isaacs read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Australasian Statistics for the year 1895, compiled from Official Returns in the Office of the Government Statist of Victoria.  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895—Appendix to Part VI.—Population.—Municipal Finances.  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1896.—Part II.—Interchange.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees of the—  
for 1896, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1895-6.

(700 copies.)

5. MUNICIPAL RATES AND ENDOWMENT.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. Rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896.
2. Amount allocated by the Treasurer to each municipality from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for half-years ending 31st December, 1896, and 30th June, 1897.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended, so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 8, page 6, lines 22 and 23, omit “such period as the rates of Twopence and One penny hereinafter mentioned shall be made or levied” and insert “nine years from the commencement of this Act.”

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 8, page 6, line 34, omit “within” and insert “outside.”

Same clause, page 6, line 42, before “the metropolis,” insert “so much of,” and omit “but not within the portions” and insert “as is.”

Ordered—That the further consideration of amendments after the third reading of this Bill be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

8. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL.—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict security to the mortgaged property.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Maloney and Mr. Prendergast do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to restrict Security to the Mortgaged Property,*” 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 on Wednesday next.

9. ORDER OF THE HOUSE RESCINDED.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That the Order of the House made yesterday postponing the Orders of the Day, General Business, until Wednesday next, be rescinded, and that the said Orders be made Orders for this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Wednesday next.

11. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.—Mr. Prendergast moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Fees to be charged under the Servants' Registry Offices Regulation Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

*Resolved*—That the following Fees be chargeable under the Servants' Registry Offices Regulation Bill, viz. :—

On issue of licence £2.

On renewal of licence £1.

On issue of duplicate licence 5s.

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

12. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Prendergast moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

In the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Schedules omit “ 1896 ” and insert “ 1897.”

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

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

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TUESDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Brake—  
From certain members and adherents of the Horsham Circuit of the Wesleyan Church.
  - By Mr. Carter—  
From Field Flowers, Bishop of Melbourne, on behalf of the Church of England in the Diocese of Melbourne.
  - By Mr. Craven—  
From certain members and adherents of the Berringama Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Cudgewa Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Yackandandah.
  - By Mr. Graves—  
From certain members and adherents of the Mansfield Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Hamilton—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Bendigo.
  - By Mr. John A. Isaacs—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Myrtleford.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Bright.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Harrietville.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Wandiligong.
  - By Mr. Langdon—  
From certain members and adherents of the Charlton Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Madden—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Mason—  
From certain members and adherents of Traralgon, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. McArthur—  
From certain members and adherents of Garvoc, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Framlingham, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From certain members and adherents of Cobden, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. McBride—  
From certain members and adherents of the Coonooer Bridge Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Stuart Mill Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Kooreh Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the St. Arnaud Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. McKenzie—  
From certain members and adherents of Broadford, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
From T. J. Malyon, styling himself President, and Jas. Rickard, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the Council of Churches in Victoria.
  - By Mr. McLean—  
From certain members and adherents of Bairnsdale, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. McLeod—  
From certain members and adherents of the Milltown Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Homerton Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Heywood Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Moule—

From certain members and adherents of the Congregational Church at Brighton.

By Mr. Webb—

From certain members and adherents of the United Methodist Free Church.

By Mr. A. W. H. White—

From certain members and adherents of Mia Mia, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

From certain members and adherents of the Echuca Baptist Church.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 4.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he communicated, by telegraph, on the 23rd ult., to the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Address of Congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the completion of the sixtieth year of her illustrious reign adopted by both Houses of Parliament, and that the Governor has this day received the following telegraphic despatch in reply thereto :—

“Her Majesty commands me to express her cordial thanks and pleasure for the loyal Address from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.”

Government House,

Melbourne, 8th July, 1897.

4. CORRECTIONS IN SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 13th July, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled “An Act for the regulation of Servants' Registry Offices,” viz. :—

In the First Schedule the word “licence” has been omitted and “license” inserted.

In the Second Schedule the words “Two pounds” have been omitted and “Ten shillings” inserted; and the words “One pound” have been omitted and “Ten shillings” inserted.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

5. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Old-age Pensions.—First Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Old-age Pensions.

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

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1896.

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

Perishable Produce.—Final Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into the alleged deteriorated condition of Victorian Butter in England, and to report as to the best means of maintaining a high standard for Perishable Produce exported from Victoria; with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Mr. Peacock presented—

Elections by the Hare System in Tasmania.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 6th July, 1897, for a copy of the following papers :—

1. The Hare System in Tasmania. By Professor Jethro Brown, being a paper read before the Royal Society of Tasmania, and reprinted at the *Tasmanian News Office*, Collins-street, Hobart.

2. Observations on the Working Results of the Hare System of Election in Tasmania. By R. M. Johnston, Government Statistician, Tasmania. Office of Government Printer, Tasmania.

3. Statute regulating the Elections by the Hare System in Tasmania.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education from 1st July, 1896, to 31st December, 1896.

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

6. VOTES AT THE FEDERAL CONVENTION ELECTION.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons who recorded their votes at each polling place in this colony at the election for the Federal Convention.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. INCREMENTS OF EMPLOYÉS IN THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Styles moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names and positions of officers and other employés in the Railway Department who received during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897, increments of £12 per annum and upwards, together with the amount of increment received by each person.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of amendments after the third reading of this Bill having been read—

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 2, at end of clause add “Such repeal shall not be deemed to affect any notices given or things commenced or done by the Board pursuant to any of the repealed enactments before the commencement of this Act.”

Clause 3 (page 2), line 6, omit “by the Board.”

Clause 5 (page 2), line 21, omit “may” and insert “shall.”

Clause 6 (page 5), line 25, omit “order” and insert “notification.”

Clause 8 (page 5), line 29, omit “already.”

„ (page 5), lines 37 to 45, omit all the words from and including “provided” to the end of sub-section (2).

„ (page 6), omit sub-section (3).

„ (page 6), line 10, omit “a rate as aforesaid” and insert “any rate as hereinafter provided.”

„ (page 6), sub-section (6), omit this sub-section

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 8, insert the following sub-section :—

(6) After the estimate has been prepared and notice given as aforesaid the Board may in respect of the year and for the purposes aforesaid make and levy the rates following (that is to say) :—

(a) Upon every sewered property a rate to be called the “Metropolitan General Rate” which for nine years after the commencement of this Act shall be a rate of One shilling in the pound of the net annual value of such property and thereafter shall be a rate not exceeding in any year One shilling in the pound of the net annual value of such property ;

(b) Upon every unsewered property within so much of the metropolis as is described in the Fourth Schedule to this Act a rate not exceeding in any year Twopence in the pound of the net annual value of such property, and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act ; and

(c) Upon every unsewered property outside so much of the metropolis as is described in the Fourth Schedule to this Act a rate not exceeding in any year One penny in the pound of the net annual value of such property, and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act.

Mr. Carter moved, That the proposed sub-section be amended by the insertion of “not exceeding” after “rate of,” in paragraph (a), line 3.

Debate ensued.

Amendment proposed by Mr. Carter, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Wilkins moved, That the proposed sub-section be amended by omitting the words “One penny,” in sub-section (c), with a view to insert in place thereof the word “Twopence.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed sub-section—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 53.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Murray.

Noes, 23.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Mason,	
Mr. Peacock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Rogers,	
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Shiels,	Mr. Wilkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the proposed sub-section be added to clause 8—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 8, sub-section (6), add the following paragraph to the sub-section :—

(d) If in any year the Board makes no rate upon any unsewered properties whatever the rate which may be made for that year upon sewerod properties shall, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, be any rate not exceeding One shilling in the pound of the net annual value of such sewerod properties.

Clause 8, sub-sections (8), (10), and (11), omit these sub-sections.

Clause 9, line 8, after "or" insert "upon the petition of."

Clause 10, line 19, after "rates" insert "made under the provisions of this Act."

Mr. Wilkins moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 10, lines 20 and 21, omit "or the occupier or person using the property for the time being." Debate ensued.

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

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 10, lines 22 to 26, omit all the words from and including "Provided," in line 22, to the end of sub-section (1).

„ add the following sub-section :—

(3) Every demand shall set forth all debts to which the property is liable to the Board, and no rate made under the provisions of this Act shall be recoverable after the expiration of three years from the making of such rate, provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the charge hereby created.

Clause 11, line 34, after "due" insert "by such person."

Clause A, omit this clause.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs offered the following clauses to be added to the Bill :—

A. (1) The Board shall have power for its temporary accommodation to obtain advances by way of overdraft or otherwise from any bank upon the credit of deposit receipts debentures or stock of any bank, but so that the total amount at any time owing upon such credit shall not exceed the amount of debt represented by the deposit receipts debentures or stock. Power to borrow on security of deposit receipts.

(2) The Board shall also have power, but only for the purpose of paying interest, to borrow by way of overdraft or by the issue of debentures having a currency of not more than twenty years from the commencement of this Act a sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole Four hundred thousand pounds, and the said sum or sums so borrowed shall be repaid by the Board together with all interest due thereon at or before the expiration of the said twenty years.

(3) Nothing in this section contained shall authorize the Board to borrow any sum which together with all sums of money borrowed or re-borrowed pursuant to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts shall exceed the sum of Five million pounds as limited in the Principal Act, exclusive of any principal sums directed by the Principal Act to be paid or provided by the Board to pay off certain loans therein specified. Limit in Principal Act not to be exceeded.

B. Where under a lease existing at the commencement of this Act a lessee has the right to remove buildings at the end of his term he shall not be entitled to remove the same or any part thereof unless— Restriction on right of lessee to remove buildings.

(a) He first pays to the lessor or to the Board all the costs and expenses and interest paid by or payable under the Principal Act or this Act by the lessor in respect of any drains appliances apparatus and connexions constructed by or at the cost of such lessor for the purposes of the buildings so removed; or

(b) The removal of the buildings or such portion thereof as is removed is effected without injury to such drains appliances apparatus and connexions.

And the said clauses were read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

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

9. WANGARATTA TO WHITFIELD RAILWAY.—Mr. H. R. Williams, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

11. SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the Parish of Eddington.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Eddington," 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.

13. **HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain lands in the municipal district of Hamilton.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Lands in the Municipal District of Hamilton,*” 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.
14. **BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the sale of certain Crown land in the County of Bendigo, City of Bendigo.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Sale of certain Crown Land in the County of Bendigo, City of Bendigo,*” 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.
15. **BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale of a portion of the Bairnsdale Race-course Reserve.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Sale of a Portion of the Bairnsdale Race-course Reserve,*” 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.
16. **GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale of certain land reserved as a site for public recreation in the Town of Geelong.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Sale of certain Land reserved as a Site for Public Recreation in the Town of Geelong,*” 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.
17. **MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the Parish of Mandurang.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang,*” 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.
18. **SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the Parish of Sale and for other purposes.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Sale 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.
19. **FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the mayor, aldermen, councillors, and burgesses of the Town of Geelong to grant a lease of certain lands in the Parish of Moorpanyal to the Western and Wimmera Districts of Victoria Freezing Company Limited and for other purposes.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to enable the Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Town of Geelong to grant a lease of certain Lands in the Parish of Moorpanyal to the Western and Wimmera Districts of Victoria Freezing Company Limited 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.
20. **MINING DEVELOPMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Foster moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Mining Development Act 1896*.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered that Mr. Foster and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Mining Development Act 1896,’*” 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.

21. **MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Foster moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Mallee Tanks Act 1895*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Foster and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Mallee Tanks Act 1895,’*” 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.

22. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

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 WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

By Mr. Deakin—

From certain members and adherents of the Moonee Ponds Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Essendon Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs—

From certain members and adherents of the Beechworth Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Stanley Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Levien—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Wauru Ponds.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Leopold.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Moolap.  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Jan Juc.

By Mr. Rawson—

From certain members and adherents of Tylden, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Salmon—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Percydale.  
From certain members and adherents of the Homebush Wesleyan Church.

By Mr. R. Murray Smith—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Hawthorn.

By Mr. T. Smith—

From certain members and adherents of the churches of the Baptist Union of Victoria.

By Mr. E. D. Williams—

From certain members and adherents of the Collins-street Independent Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Richmond Congregational Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Surrey Hills Congregational Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Prahran Independent Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Victoria-parade Congregational Church.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

By Mr. Higgins—

From certain adult residents of Melbourne.

By Mr. Vale—

From certain adult residents of Ballarat.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. CORRECTIONS IN MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—  
Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 14th July, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893,'*" viz.:—

In clause 6, line 25, the word "Principal" has been inserted before "Act."

In the Second Schedule the figures "1896" have been omitted and "1897" inserted.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

4. PAPER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—

Municipal Rates and Endowment.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th July, 1897, for a return showing—

1. Rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896.
2. Amount allocated by the Treasurer to each municipality from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for half-years ending 31st December, 1896, and 30th June, 1897.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

5. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale of the Trades Hall site at Geelong.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Sale of the Trades Hall Site at Geelong,*" 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.

6. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Marine Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Marine Act 1890,'*" 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. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL.—Mr. Taverner moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Fees to be charged under the Exported Products Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. Taverner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

*Resolved*—That the Fees chargeable under the Exported Products Bill be such Fees as may from time to time be fixed by the Governor in Council.

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

8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the debate not being concluded by half-past eight o'clock—

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.



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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896,'*" 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,  
Melbourne, 14th July, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

11. MR. W. R. MERRY.—Mr. Moule moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Webb.
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 57.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Salmon.
Mr. McLean,	

And so it passed in the negative.

12. MR. SINGLETON, REGISTRAR OF PROBATES.—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

13. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL.—Mr. Murphy moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of constructing a railway siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Murphy and Mr. Bennett do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Murphy then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the purpose of constructing a Railway Siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve,*" 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 on Wednesday next.

14. RAILWAY EXPENDITURE OUT OF LOAN FUNDS.—Mr. Vale moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the expenditure out of loan funds by the Railway Department for the years ending 30th June, 1895, 1896, and 1897.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. PRINTED PETITIONS.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders be requested to consider whether it is not advisable to amend Standing Order No. 196, by enabling petitions to be received which are printed as well as petitions which are written.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. McKenzie,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Bennett.

Noes, 25.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McBride,	
Mr. McLellan,	
Mr. McLeod,	
Mr. Moule,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. McColl,  
Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

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THURSDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 5.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made of fees, forfeitures, and penalties, for the purposes of the Bill to amend the law relating to Hackney Carriages in the Metropolitan District

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 14<sup>th</sup> July, 1897.

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

3. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

By Mr. Bromley—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Carlton.

By Mr. Dyer—

From certain members and adherents of the Warracknabeal Wesleyan Church.

By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs—

From certain members and adherents of the Beechworth Congregational Church.

By Mr. Kerr—

From certain members and adherents of the Scarsdale Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Madden, on behalf of Mr. Russell—

From certain members and adherents of the Linton Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Murray—

From certain members and adherents of Warrnambool congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Sangster, on behalf of Mr. Hancock—

From certain members and adherents of the Braybrook Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. R. Murray Smith—

From certain members and adherents of Hawthorn West congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Turner—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Churches of West Gippsland.

The following petition, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, was presented :—

By Mr. Trenwith—

From certain adult residents of Richmond.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

(700 copies.)

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution—  
Draft of a Bill framed by the National Australasian Convention, held in Adelaide, 22nd March to 5th May, 1897.  
Official Report of the National Australasian Convention Debates, Adelaide, 22nd March to 5th May, 1897.
- Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Grain Traffic on Gippsland Railways.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th June, 1897, for a return showing the tonnage of all flour, wheat, and other grain received at all stations east of Dandenong on the Gippsland and Great Southern lines.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. UNCLAIMED CROWN GRANTS.—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—  
1. The number of Crown grants remaining unclaimed at the Titles Office and various Treasury offices in the colony.  
2. The amount of fees due in respect of such Crown grants.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. COAL IMPORTED BY THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of coal imported into the colony by the Railway Department during the last two years.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. REPORTS OF THE RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Baker moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all Reports of the Railways Standing Committee presented to the Honorable the Minister of Railways since 1st January last.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. PAPER.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Reports of the Railways Standing Committee.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
9. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to amended notice, That in pursuance of section 26 of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896* this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the said Act.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Government Acts to the Town of Geelong,*” 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, W. A. ZEAL,  
Melbourne, 15th July, 1897. President.  
Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
11. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. MINING DEVELOPMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster 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. Foster moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Foster, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

13. EXPORTED PRODUCTS 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. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Taverner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
On the motion of Mr. Taverner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Taverner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Taverner, read a third time.  
On the motion of Mr. Taverner, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill :—  
Clause 3, page 2, line 12, after “anthrax” insert “trichinosis.”  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

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TUESDAY, 20TH JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Chirnside—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Fyansford Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Ceres Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Gray—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Prahran Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Grose—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Kingston Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Spring Mount Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Creswick Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Newlyn.
  - By Mr. Gurr—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Chilwell, Geelong, Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Ashby Wesleyan Methodist Church.
    - From certain members and adherents of the Newtown Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Harper—
    - From certain members and adherents of Campbellfield congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.
  - By Mr. Kerr—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Leigh-road Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. R. Murray Smith—
    - From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Hawthorn.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. CORRECTIONS IN EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 20th July, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Inspection of Live Stock, Meat, Dairy Produce, Fruit, and other products intended for Export and to regulate the Exportation thereof,*" viz. :—

- In clause 3, page 2, line 27, the word "and" has been omitted.
- In the same clause, page 2, line 31, the word "and" has been inserted after "Act."
- In clause 5, line 5, the letter (a) has been inserted before "such."
- In the same clause, line 12, the letter (b) has been inserted before "a certificate."
- In the same clause, line 19, the word "Third" has been omitted and "Fourth" inserted.
- In clause 9, line 30, the word "or" has been inserted after "works."
- In the same clause, line 31, the word "and" has been omitted.
- In the same clause, line 36, the word "and" has been inserted after "regulations."
- In the Fourth Schedule the word "of" has been inserted after "day."

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1896.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Fifth General Report.

Water Act 1890—

Shire of Arapiles and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.

Shire of Borung and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.

Shire of Dimboola and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.

Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation for Sale of Water.—No. 1.

5. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

In the Title, before “Town” insert “City of Melbourne and the.”

Clause 2, line 9, after “the” insert “City of Melbourne or the.”

„ line 11, omit “council” and insert “councils.”

„ same line, before “Town” insert “City of Melbourne and the.”

„ line 13, before “Town” insert “City of Melbourne and the.”

„ line 15, before “Town” insert “City of Melbourne or the.”

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

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WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Mason, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and to be taken into consideration to-morrow.
3. **PETITIONS.**—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Cook—  
From certain members and adherents of the Prince of Wales Park (Northcote) Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Spensley-street Wesleyan Methodist Church.
  - By Mr. Hamilton—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Golden Square and neighbourhood.
  - By Mr. McGregor—  
From certain members and adherents of the Peel-street, Ballarat, Methodist Free Church.
  - By Mr. McLeod—  
From certain members and adherents of the Drumborg Wesleyan Methodist Church.  
From certain members and adherents of the Lower Cape Bridgewater Wesleyan Methodist Church.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

- By Mr. Barrett—  
From certain adult residents of Carlton.
- By Mr. Best—  
From certain adult residents of Fitzroy.
- By Mr. Deakin—  
From certain adult residents of Melbourne and suburbs.
- By Mr. Higgins—  
From certain adult residents of Geelong.
- By Mr. Wilkins—  
From certain adult residents of Collingwood.  
From certain adult residents of Collingwood.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. **DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for His Excellency Sir Thomas Fowell Buxton, Bart., K.C.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of South Australia.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.



5. **NEW APPOINTMENTS IN THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.**—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing how many new appointments have been made in the Railway Service during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897—

1. The number of traffic superintendents and district traffic superintendents, and their clerks.
2. The number of inspectors and sub-inspectors in the various branches.
3. The salaries showing increase (if any) and daily travelling allowances in each case.
4. On whose recommendation such appointments were made.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. **GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of the Gisborne Cricket Reserve.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of the Gisborne Cricket Reserve,*” 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. **SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the resumption by the Crown of certain land in the City of South Melbourne.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the City of South 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 to-morrow.

8. **ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain land in the Town of St. Arnaud.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Town of St. Arnaud,*” 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.

10. **COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “*Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,*” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

11. **ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. **COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “*Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,*” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 4th August next.

14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

THURSDAY, 22ND JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

By Mr. Murray—

From certain members and adherents of the Congregational Church, Warrnambool.

By Mr. Outtrim—

From certain members and adherents of the Maryborough Congregational Church.

The following petition, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, was presented :—

By Mr. Cook—

From certain adult residents of Brunswick.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. COMPANIES ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. In the Title, omit "Section thirty-one of."

2. Insert the following new clauses :—

A. The repayment of capital by any building society pursuant to the provisions of the *Building Societies Act* 1890 and the rules of such society shall not be deemed or taken to be an infringement of the provisions of section forty-eight of the *Companies Act* 1896.

B. Division IX. of the *Companies Act* 1896 shall not apply to any company incorporated under the Companies Acts or any company incorporated in pursuance of any scheme of arrangement or compromise heretofore or hereafter sanctioned by the Court under the Companies Acts if the incorporation of such company is expressly provided for in such scheme of arrangement or compromise.

C. The following sub-section shall be deemed to be the third sub-section of section seventy of Act No. 1482 :—

(3) A company or society formed and incorporated in any country or colony other than Victoria and not carrying on in Victoria any business other than selling goods wares or merchandise shall not be required to do any of the acts matters and things prescribed in this Act except such as are required by this subdivision.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1 agreed to.

Amendment 2—

Amendment to insert new clause A disagreed with.

Amendment to insert new clause B agreed to, after debate, with the following amendments, viz. :—

In lines 1 and 2 of the clause omit "any company incorporated under the Companies Acts or."

In line 4 of the clause omit "is" and insert "and the objects for which it is to be incorporated have been."

Amendment to insert new clause C disagreed with, after debate.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the said amendments, have disagreed with the amendment to insert new clauses A and C, and have agreed to the amendment to insert new clause B with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council. ;

4. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896’ so as to provide for voting by post,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 22nd July, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

6. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896’ so as to provide for voting by post,*” 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 on Wednesday, 4th August next.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act for the regulation of Servants’ Registry Offices,*” 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,  
Melbourne, 22nd July, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Clause 3, line 11, omit “September” and insert “October.”

Clause 11, line 38, after “may” insert “upon obtaining the consent in writing of the Chief Inspector or any Inspector.”

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-one minutes past eleven o’clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

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TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

By Mr. Austin—

From certain members and adherents of Mortlake, &c., congregations within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Cook—

From certain members and adherents of the Coburg Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Duggan—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Gurr—

From certain members and adherents of the Free Presbyterian Church of Victoria and others.

From certain members and adherents of the Gheringhap Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, on behalf of Mr. Gavan Duffy—

From certain members and adherents of the Romsey Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. Levien—

From certain members and adherents of the Queenscliff Wesleyan Methodist Church.

By Mr. McKenzie—

From certain members and adherents of Toorak congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

By Mr. Outtrim—

From certain members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Maryborough and district.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

By Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs—

From certain adult residents of Beechworth.

By Mr. H. R. Williams—

From certain adult residents of Bendigo.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—

Railway Expenditure out of Loan Funds.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 14th July, 1897, for a return showing the expenditure out of loan funds by the Railway Department for the years ending 30th June, 1895, 1896, and 1897.

Mr. Peacock presented—

Votes at the Federal Convention Election.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th July, 1897, for a return showing the number of persons who recorded their votes at each polling place in this colony at the election for the Federal Convention.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Mining Development Act 1896’*” without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 27th July, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.



## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

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WEDNESDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—

By Mr. Downward—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Dromana.

From certain members and adherents of the Red Hill, Dromana, Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Balnarring Wesleyan Church.

By Mr. Grattan—

From certain members and adherents of the Shepparton United Methodist Free Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Violet Town Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Shepparton.

By Mr. Madden—

From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Surrey Hills and Burwood.

By Mr. Thomson—

From certain members and adherents of the Victoria Valley Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Dunkeld Wesleyan Methodist Church.

From certain members and adherents of the Peshurst Wesleyan Methodist Church.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

By Mr. Cook—

From certain adult residents of Brunswick.

By Mr. Prendergast—

From certain adult residents of Beechworth.

By Mr. Wilkins—

From certain adult residents of Collingwood.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 6.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has caused the following Bill, intituled "*An Act providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893,'*" which was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received Her Majesty's Assent on the 18th day of May last, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which Proclamation is hereto annexed.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 27th July, 1897.

THE ROYAL ASSENT TO AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Right Honorable THOMAS, BARON BRASSEY, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by the *Constitution Statute* it was amongst other things enacted that the provisions of the Act of the fourteenth year of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-nine, and of the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty, chapter seventy-six, *For the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land*, which relate to the giving and withholding of Her Majesty's assent to Bills, and the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and the instructions to be conveyed to Governors for their guidance in relation to the matters aforesaid, and the disallowance of Bills by Her Majesty, should apply to Bills to be passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly constituted under the *Constitution Act of Victoria* and the now reciting Statute and by any other legislative body or bodies which may at any time hereafter be substituted for the present Legislative Council and Assembly: And whereas the Bill hereinafter mentioned was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon: And whereas by an Order of the Queen in Council, made on the eighteenth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, a copy whereof is hereto appended, Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the said Bill: Now therefore I, the Governor of Victoria, in pursuance of the provisions of the aforesaid Acts, do by this my Proclamation signify that the Bill, the title whereof is herein set forth, that is to say—

"*An Act providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893,'*"

which was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this sixteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

BRASSEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

ISAAC A. ISAACS.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

At the Court at Windsor, the eighteenth day of May, 1897.

PRESENT:

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President  
Duke of Norfolk

Earl of Kintore  
Chief Justice Way.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled *An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land*, it is amongst other things enacted that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New South Wales until the Governor of the said Colony shall signify either by speech or message to the Legislative Council of the said Colony, or by Proclamation as therein aforesaid, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same:

And whereas by another Act passed in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled *An Act for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies*, it was provided, among other things, that the provisions of the said former Act concerning the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon should apply to and be in force in the Colony of Victoria:

And whereas the said provisions were maintained in force as regards Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, by a subsequent Act passed in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of the reign of Her said Majesty, entitled *An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill as amended of the Legislature of Victoria, to establish a Constitution in and for the Colony of Victoria*:

And whereas the Governor of the said Colony of Victoria has reserved a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, entitled *An Act providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893*, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by Her Majesty :

Now therefore Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said Acts, and in exercise of the powers thereby reserved to Her Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, declare her assent to the said Bill.

C. L. PEEL.

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Settlement on Lands Act 1893—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of, during the financial year ended 30th June, 1897.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—  
Trade Unions—Eleventh Annual Report on.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1896, with an Appendix.
3. APPROPRIATION OF PENALTIES.—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Prendergast, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amounts of money appropriated during the year ended 30th June, 1897, to each municipality in the colony from fines in the Supreme and other Courts, specifying the Act and the municipality in each instance; also the totals under each Act placed to Consolidated Revenue, to Police Superannuation Fund, to informers, to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, to the poor-box, and otherwise.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

VICTORIA.  
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 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
 OF THE  
 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.  
 No. 17.

TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
  2. PETITION.—The following petition, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, was presented :—  
 By Mr. Kerr—  
 From certain members and adherents of Buninyong, &c., congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
  3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
 Explosives Act 1890.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Commissioner for Trade and Customs, on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1896.  
 Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year ended 31st December, 1896.  
 Post Office Act 1890.—Establishment of Public Telephone Bureaux.
  4. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
  5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
 MR. SPEAKER,  
 The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*,” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.  

W. A. ZEAL,  
 President.

 Legislative Council,  
 Melbourne, 3rd August, 1897.
  6. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*,” 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
  8. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the following letters with reference to the future and further cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station, viz. :—26th July, 1897—Minister of Lands to Mr. E. H. Lascelles; 28th July, 1897—Mr. E. H. Lascelles to the Minister of Lands; 30th July, 1897—Minister of Lands to Mr. E. H. Lascelles; and 30th July, 1897—Mr. E. H. Lascelles to the Minister of Lands.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.
- W. V. ROBINSON,  
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
GRAHAM BERRY,  
 Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

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 WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Gurr presented a petition from W. F. Dann, styling himself President, and Edward Bechervaise, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the members of the Council of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures, praying that the House will reject the Bill intituled "*A Bill to restrict Security to the Mortgaged Property.*"  
 Mr. Gurr presented a petition from W. F. Dann, styling himself President, and Edward Bechervaise, styling himself Secretary, on behalf of the members of the Council of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures, praying that the House will reject the Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Protection of Homes.*"  
 On the motion of Mr. Gurr, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow these petitions to be read.  
 The petitions were read by the Clerk.  
 The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Beazley—  
 From certain adult residents of Collingwood.
  - By Mr. Cook—  
 From certain adult residents of Brunswick.  
 From certain adult residents of Brunswick.
  - By Mr. Carter—  
 From certain adult residents of Melbourne.
  - By Mr. Hamilton—  
 From certain adult residents of Bendigo.
  - By Mr. A. L. Tucker—  
 From certain adult residents of Carlton and Fitzroy.  
 From certain adult residents of Fitzroy.  
 From certain adult residents of Fitzroy.
  - By Mr. Trenwith—  
 From certain adult residents of Richmond.
  - By Mr. Wilkins—  
 From certain adult residents of Collingwood.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

(700 copies.)

## 3. PAPER.—Mr. Best presented—

Tyrrell Downs Station.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 3rd August, 1897, for a copy of the following letters with reference to the future and further cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station, viz.:—26th July, 1897—Minister of Lands to Mr. E. H. Lascelles; 28th July, 1897—Mr. E. H. Lascelles to the Minister of Lands; 30th July, 1897—Minister of Lands to Mr. E. H. Lascelles; and 30th July, 1897—Mr. E. H. Lascelles to the Minister of Lands.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

## 4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

*Message No. 7.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act for the regulation of Servants' Registry Offices*" :—

Clause 13, omit the words "with the permission and subject only to the restriction contained in section five of this Act the Chief Inspector" and substitute "if the Chief Inspector is satisfied of the matters as to which by section five of this Act he is required to be satisfied before the issue or renewal of a licence he"; and at the end of clause add "In the event of the Chief Inspector deciding not to transfer a licence he shall give a written statement of his reasons for so declining, and such decision shall be subject to appeal pursuant to the said section as in the case of a refusal to issue or renew a licence."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 29th July, 1897.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

## 5. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act* 1896, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

## 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 18th August instant.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

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THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WANGARATTA TO WHITFIELD RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Narrow-gauge Railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield ; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. John A. Isaacs—  
From certain members and adherents of the Murrumbidgee Congregation.
  - By Mr. Levien—  
From certain members and adherents of the Free Presbyterian Church of Victoria, Drysdale, and others.

The following petition, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, was presented :—

  - By Mr. McGregor—  
From certain adult residents of Ballarat.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
 

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on their amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896,'*" with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in new clause B.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 5th August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

6. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

The Chairman of Committees having suspended the proceedings of the Committee pursuant to Standing Order, “Disorderly Conduct,” Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

7. SUSPENSION OF A MEMBER.—Mr. Mason stated that he had been directed by the Committee to report to the House that the Honorable Member for Melbourne North (Mr. Prendergast) had been guilty of the offence of disregarding the authority of the Chair, and that he (the Chairman) had named him to the Committee.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Honorable Member for Melbourne North (Mr. Prendergast) be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. O'Neill.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Bromley,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Hancock,
Mr. J. B. Tucker.	Mr. Maloney.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Whereupon Mr. Speaker stated that, in pursuance of the Standing Order, the Honorable Member was suspended for the remainder of the sitting.

8. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia.”

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

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

9. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending certain amendments in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Clause 13, omit the words “with the permission and subject only to the restriction contained in section five of this Act the Chief Inspector” and substitute “if the Chief Inspector is satisfied of the matters as to which by section five of this Act he is required to be satisfied before the issue or renewal of a licence he”; and at the end of clause add “In the event of the Chief Inspector deciding not to transfer a licence he shall give a written statement of his reasons for so declining, and such decision shall be subject to appeal pursuant to the said section as in the case of a refusal to issue or renew a licence.”

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to regulate the Sale of Manure*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 5th August, 1897.

The said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, line 2, omit “one” and insert “half a.”
2. Clause 10, line 5, after “shall” insert “within fourteen days.”
3. „ line 6, omit “forthwith.”

## 4. After clause 10, insert new clauses—

B. Any person improperly breaking seal of or tampering with any bottle or jar containing any sample or part of a sample taken for the purpose of analysis under the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds for the first offence and to a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds for any subsequent offence.

BB. If any person knowingly and fraudulently tampers with any parcel of manure so as to procure that any sample of it taken in pursuance of this Act does not correctly represent the contents of the parcel he shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds for the first offence and to a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds for any subsequent offence.

## 5. Clause 14, omit this clause and insert new clause—

A. Where any manure submitted for analysis as aforesaid is found to contain less nitrogen phosphoric acid or potash than the proportions thereof respectively declared in the invoice certificate and such deficiency—

(a) as to nitrogen amounts to one and a half per centum of the whole sample in manures declared to contain less than ten per centum of nitrogen, or as to phosphoric acid three per centum of the whole sample in manures declared to contain less than fifteen per centum of phosphoric acid, or as to potash one and a half per centum of the whole sample in manures declared to contain less than ten per centum of potash; or

(b) as to nitrogen amounts to fifteen per centum of the total nitrogen declared to be present in manure represented to contain not less than ten per centum of nitrogen, or as to phosphoric acid twenty per centum of the total phosphoric acid declared to be present in manure represented to contain not less than fifteen per centum of phosphoric acid, or as to potash fifteen per centum of the total potash declared to be present in manure represented to contain not less than ten per centum of potash—

the vendor thereof shall be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds for the first offence and not exceeding Fifty pounds for any subsequent offence.

6. Clause 16, line 24, omit "may" and insert "shall."

7. First Schedule, page 6, line 3, after "forms" insert "insoluble in water."

8. " omit "(c) Insoluble in water ... .. per cent."

9. Second Schedule, after "(b) In readily available form" insert "insoluble in water."

10. " omit "(c) Insoluble in water ... .. per cent."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

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TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. PETITION.—The following petition, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, was presented :—

By Mr. McKenzie—

From certain members and adherents of Kilmore congregation within the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

By Mr. Barrett—

From certain adult residents of Carlton.

By Mr. Bennett—

From certain adult residents of Richmond.

By Mr. Carter—

From certain adult residents of Melbourne.

Mr. Deakin presented a petition from John Robertson, of Moonee Ponds, praying for reform in the currency law, with a view to something like a scientific treatment of the great question of money.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 8.

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 for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Government Acts to the City of Melbourne and the Town of Geelong.”

“An Act to amend the ‘Mining Development Act 1896.’”

“An Act to amend the ‘Companies Act 1896.’”

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 6th August, 1897.



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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893,*" 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,  
Melbourne, 10th August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

5. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
The Title "Honorable."—Extract from *The London Gazette*.

Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1896.—Part I.—Blue Book.

Mr. H. R. Williams presented—

Coal Imported by the Railway Department.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th July, 1897, for a return showing the amount of coal imported into the colony by the Railway Department during the last two years.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st March, 1897.

6. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION.—Mr. Best moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to permit cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the correspondence between the Minister of Lands and Mr. E. H. Lascelles, as laid upon the Table of the House on the 4th August, 1897.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McColl moved, as an amendment, that the following words be added to the motion :—"Provided that the payments to be made by the cultivators to Mr. Lascelles or his representatives shall be as follows :—On a crop of three bushels per acre, no payment ; over three bushels per acre and under six bushels, one-fifth of the crop ; over six bushels per acre and under nine bushels, one-fourth of the crop ; over nine bushels per acre, one-third of the crop."

Debate continued.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

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

Debate on main question and amendment resumed.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 52.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Levién,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to permit cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the correspondence between the Minister of Lands and Mr. E. H. Lascelles, as laid upon the Table of the House on the 4th August, 1897—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 50.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,	Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McBride,	Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Grose,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Maloney,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,	Mr. McCay,	
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Russell,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. McColl.
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,		
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,		
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,		
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Turner,		
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,		
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,		
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,		
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Zox.		
Mr. Kerr,			
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule,		
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Salmon.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act for the regulation of Servants' Registry Offices.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 10th August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

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WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Mr. Carter moved, by leave, That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be granted to the Honorable Member for Toorak (the Honorable Robert Dyce Reid), on account of ill health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—
  - By Mr. Gray—  
From certain adult residents of Prahran.
  - By Mr. Longmore—  
From certain adult residents of Lyonville, Heathcote, and Fern Tree Gully District.
  - By Mr. Vale—  
From certain adult residents of Ballarat.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL.—Mr. Bowser moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the main street of Rutherglen to be reduced to a width not less than fifty-six feet.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Bowser and Mr. A. W. H. White do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Bowser then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Main Street of Rutherglen to be reduced to a width not less than Fifty-six feet,*" 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 on Wednesday, 18th August instant.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 5 and 8.
6. TOTALIZATOR BILL.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the Totalizator.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Murray and Mr. Burton do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Murray then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to legalize the Totalizator,*" 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 on Wednesday, 18th August instant.

7. **ABSENT VOTERS BILL.**—Mr. T. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision for voting by seamen, commercial travellers, and shearers at Legislative Assembly elections.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. T. Smith and Mr. J. B. Tucker do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. T. Smith then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make better provision for Voting by Seamen, Commercial Travellers, and Shearers at Legislative Assembly Elections,*” 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 on Wednesday, 18th August instant.
8. **ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. **WANGARATTA TO WHITFIELD RAILWAY.**—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Wangaratta to Whitfield.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Mr. Burton moved, as an amendment, That the figure and words “2-ft. narrow-gauge” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the figures and words “5ft. 3in. standard-gauge.”  
 Debate continued.  
 Question—That the figure and words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Wangaratta to Whitfield—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **WANGARATTA TO WHITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. H. R. Williams then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield,*” 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. H. R. Williams 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. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. H. R. Williams, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1897.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 On the motion of Mr. H. R. Williams, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. R. Williams read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at six minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petition, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, was presented :—

By Mr. Lazarus—

From certain adult residents of Bendigo.

The following petitions, praying the House to make such amendments in the Land Acts as would enable the Lands Department to classify the Crown lands of the colony, including land now held under licences and leases under sections 42 and 44 of the *Land Act*-1890, and the like tenure under previous Acts, and to reduce the price of heavy forest land from One pound to, say, Five shillings per acre—or a price as near thereto as the House may deem fit—to selectors who have proved themselves good settlers by making homes on the land, and by *bonâ fide* residence for at least five years, and by making improvements to the value of at least One pound an acre; also that selectors who have taken up more land than their means will enable them to hold be allowed, with the consent of the Minister, to relinquish a portion of their holdings for further settlement, and that the rent already paid be credited to the purchase money of the portion to be retained :—

By Mr. Baker—

From certain residents of the Otway Forest, in the county of Polwarth, being selectors under the Land Acts.

From certain selectors under the Land Acts and other residents of the Otway Forest, in the county of Polwarth.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. SALE OF MANURE BILL.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received from the Clerk of the Parliaments a letter, which he read, and is as follows :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 11th August, 1897.

SIR,

I do myself the honour to report, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error has been discovered in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Manure*":—

In clause 21 the word "be" has been twice inserted.

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

GEO. H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Honorable the Speaker,

&amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the omission of the word "be," in line 12, clause 21.

Ordered—That the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council, with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

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4. **FRIDAY SITTING.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock a.m.  
Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 5, line 26, omit "abutting" and insert "which or any part of which abuts."
2. " line 28, omit "abutting" and insert "which or any part of which abuts."
3. " line 33, omit "abutting" and insert "which or any part of which abuts."
4. " after sub-clause (2) insert new sub-clause—  
(2A) Every property whether or not abutting as aforesaid which shall be connected with any sewer of the Board shall be and shall be deemed to be a sewer property.
5. " page 3, lines 3-4, omit "posted up and advertised in like manner" and insert "given by serving the same on the owner of any property which or any part of which abuts on such street or part of street in manner prescribed with regard to service of notices or orders by section one hundred and fifty-nine of the Principal Act."
6. " " line 5, after "Act" insert "or to the like effect."
7. " page 4, at the end of sub-clause (7) add "unless the necessity for such repair is caused by the wilful act or negligence of the owner or occupier."
8. " " line 12, after "such" insert "further."
9. Clause 8, page 6, line 43, after "next" insert "but one."
10. Clause 10, line 30, after "last" insert "but one."
11. Clause 11, page 8, at end of clause insert new sub-clause—  
(3A) In the event of any rates being paid by or recovered from the occupier or person using the property for the time being as aforesaid, such occupier or person may deduct all sums of money so paid by him out of the rent unless otherwise provided by lease or agreement from time to time becoming due in respect of the said property as if the same had been actually paid to the owner as part of such rent, or such occupier or person may at his option sue the owner therefor before any court of competent jurisdiction or may recover the same in a summary way.
12. Third Schedule, page 9, line 4, omit "abutting" and insert "which or any part of which abuts."
13. " page 10, line 1, omit "abutting" and insert "which or any part of which abuts."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message, acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

6. **COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in correcting the clerical error reported by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Manure.*"

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 12th August, 1897.

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

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

FRIDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Lazarus rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The necessity of proceeding with the Mines Acts Amendment Bill."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Lazarus moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

3. PETITIONS.—The following petition, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, was presented :—

By Mr. J. Anderson—

From the Archbishop and Bishops of the Catholic Church in the colony of Victoria.

The following petitions, praying the House not to pass any measure or amendment for the insertion of any religious clause or declaration of a religious belief in the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia, but to allow the Bill in this respect to remain as framed and adopted by the Delegates to the Adelaide Federal Convention, were presented :—

By Mr. Barrett—

From certain adult residents of Carlton.

By Mr. Foster—

From certain adult residents of Victoria.

By Mr. Hamilton—

From certain adult residents of Bendigo.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 9.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893" :—

In clause 10, thirteenth line, after "last" insert "but one."

In Second Schedule omit "abutting" in two places, and in each place substitute "which or any part of which abuts."

In Fourth Schedule, page 12, second line, omit "Eglington-street," substitute Eglington-street."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th August, 1897.

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On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

5. PAPER.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Diphtheria in Hawthorn—Report on, by D. A. Gresswell, M.A., M.D., Oxon.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

6. DIVORCE.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. How many cases of divorce have been before the court since the passing of the Shiels Divorce Act, showing each year separately.
2. How many divorces have been granted.
3. How many refused.
4. How many dissolutions of marriage were granted for ten years prior to the passing of the Shiels Act.
5. How many of the marriages contracted since the passing of the Shiels Act have ended in divorce.
6. How many petitions were presented by the wife and husband respectively.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

### WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1897.

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

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

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893.*”

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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 Wangaratta to Whitfield*” without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at thirty-seven minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

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WEDNESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MINING LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to mining.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Foster and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Mining,*” 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.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Land Act 1890—Section 69.—Schedule No. 9.—Country Lands offered for Sale by Public Auction during the year 1896.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for Henry Charles Richards, Esquire, a member of the House of Commons.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

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 THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will make such amendment in the preamble to the Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia as will embody a recognition of Almighty God as having Sovereignty over Nations and as the Supreme Source of all righteous law and equitable government, were presented :—
  - By Mr. W. Anderson—  
From certain members and adherents of the Magpie Wesleyan Church.
  - By Mr. Turner—  
From certain members and adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Warragul, South Warragul, and Yarragon.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
  - Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1896.
  - Land Act 1890.—Schedule of Swamp Leases.
4. FRIDAY SITTING.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock a.m.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening, so far as regards Government Business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

*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 Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of Parliaments, viz.:—

“*An Act for the regulation of Servants’ Registry Offices.*”

“*An Act to regulate the Sale of Manure.*”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 17th August, 1897.

3. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the “Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia,” framed under the provisions of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*, having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Draft Bill and had agreed to the following amendments which they desired to be made therein :—

## PREAMBLE.

Page 1, line 2, before “have agreed” insert “in reliance upon the blessing of Almighty God.”

## CHAPTER I.

## THE PARLIAMENT.

## PART II.—THE SENATE.

- Page 4, clause 9, lines 30 and 31, omit “as one electorate” and insert “Until The Parliament otherwise provides the electoral divisions of the several States for the purpose of returning senators shall be determined from time to time by the Parliaments of the several States, and each such division shall have one senator only.”
- „ clause 9, lines 32 to 34, omit “and the names of the senators chosen by each State shall be certified by the Governor to the Governor-General.”
- „ clause 9, line 36, after “but” insert “except in the case of new States which after the establishment of the Commonwealth are admitted thereto or established thereby upon other terms and conditions.”
- „ clause 9, line 36, omit “so that.”
- „ clause 9, line 37, omit “that.”

Page 5, clause 9, at end of clause add the following paragraph :—

“No elector who has at the establishment of the Commonwealth or who afterwards acquires a right to vote at elections for the more numerous House of the Parliament of the State shall whilst the right continues be prevented by any law of the Commonwealth from voting at elections for senators.”

Page 5, clause 10, line 5, after “prescribing” insert “the times, places, and.”

„ clause 12, omit this clause.

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## PART III.—THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

- Page 7, clause 24, omit all the words after “numbers,” in line 11, to the end of the clause, and insert the following in place thereof :—“and until The Parliament of the Commonwealth otherwise provides the people of each State which forms part of the Commonwealth at the establishment thereof shall have one representative for every thirty thousand of their number. Provided that every such State shall be entitled to five representatives at the least.”
- „ clause 26, line 34, omit “quota” and insert “number in respect of which a State is entitled to one representative.”
- „ clause 26, line 35, omit “quota” and insert “number.”
- „ clause 27, lines 40 and 41, omit “*quota referred to in*” and insert “*provisions of.*”
- Page 8, clause 29, lines 8 and 9, omit “Until division each State shall be one electorate.”
- „ clause 30, at end of clause add—“Provided also that the basis of such qualification for the electors of the members of the House of Representatives shall be on the basis of one adult one vote.”
- Page 9, clause 39, line 23, after “shall” insert “except as hereinafter provided.”
- „ clause 39, at end of clause add—“Provided that in the case of a proposed amendment of the Constitution the Speaker may vote notwithstanding the votes are not equal, and in such case he shall not have a casting vote.”

## PART IV.—PROVISIONS RELATING TO BOTH HOUSES.

- Page 10, clause 44, line 17, omit “on which he takes his seat” and insert “of his election.”
- Page 11, clause 48, line 42, after “office” insert “except that of a Justice of the High Court.”

## PART V.—POWERS OF THE PARLIAMENT.

- Page 13, clause 52, line 7, after “States” insert “provided that all fermented, distilled, or other intoxicating liquors or liquids transported into any State or territory or remaining therein for use, consumption, sale, or storage therein shall upon arrival in such State or territory be subject to the operation and effect of the laws of such State or territory to the same extent and in the same manner as though such liquors or liquids had been produced in such State or territory.”
- „ clause 52, line 31, after “banks” insert “excluding State banks.”
- „ clause 52, line 33, after “State” insert “and Municipal.”

See U.S. Stats. at  
Large, Vol. 26  
1890, ch. 728.

*Money Bills.*

- Page 15, clause 54, lines 26 and 27, omit “having for their main object the appropriation of” and insert “appropriating.”
- „ clause 54, line 27, omit “the imposition of” and insert “imposing.”
- Pages 15 and 16, clause 55, omit sub-sections (2), (3), (4), and (5).:
- Page 16, clause 56, line 11, omit “the Senate or.”
- „ clause 56, line 12, after “to” insert “adopt or.”
- „ clause 56, line 14, before “House” omit “the” and insert “that.”
- „ clause 56, lines 14 and 15, omit “in which the proposal for appropriation originated.”

*Royal Assent.*

- Page 16, clause 57, line 21, after “Constitution” insert “and to Her Majesty’s instructions.”

## CHAPTER III.

## THE FEDERAL JUDICATURE.

- Page 18, clause 71, line 33, omit “not less than four.”
- „ clause 72, line 37, after “shall” insert “have such qualification as The Parliament may prescribe and shall”; and after “behaviour” insert “but may be removed by the Governor-General in Council upon an address from both Houses of The Parliament in the same Session praying for such removal.”
- Page 19, clause 72, omit paragraph III. and insert the following in place thereof :—
- “III. May at any time be suspended by the Governor-General in Council for misbehaviour or incapacity.”
- Page 20, clause 80, omit this clause.

## CHAPTER IV.

## FINANCE AND TRADE.

- Page 21, clause 84, line 11, after “duties” insert “and.”
- „ clause 84, lines 12 and 13, omit “and to grant bounties upon the production or export of goods.”
- „ clause 84, lines 17 and 18, omit “and all such laws offering bounties upon the production or export of goods.”
- „ clause 84, lines 20 and 21, omit “and the control of the payment of bounties.”
- „ clause 84, omit lines 24 and 25.
- Pages 23 and 24, clause 92, omit this clause.

Page 24, insert the following new clause after clause 93 :—

A. Where any goods which have been imported into any State before the imposition of the uniform duties are, during the first year of uniform duties, exported into any other State, there shall be collected on such exportation the amount of the difference between the duty chargeable on such goods before the imposition of uniform duties in the State from which they are so exported and the duty chargeable on such goods before the imposition of uniform duties in the State into which they were imported, or the uniform duty, whichever shall be less.

## CHAPTER VIII.

### AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Page 28, clause 121, lines 29 and 30, omit "an absolute" and insert "a."

" clause 121, line 31, omit "and" and insert the following words :—" or in case of difference between the two Houses be referred in manner provided by this Constitution to the direct determination of the people. If passed by a majority of the Senate and of the House of Representatives the proposed law."

Page 29, clause 121, omit the last paragraph (lines 8 to 12 inclusive).

### NEW CLAUSES.

#### PROVISION AGAINST DEAD-LOCKS.

B. If the Senate reject or fail to pass any proposed law which has passed the House of Representatives or pass the same with amendments with which the House of Representatives will not agree, and if the Governor-General should on that account dissolve the House of Representatives, and if after the said dissolution the House of Representatives again pass the said proposed law in the same or substantially the same form as before and the Senate again reject or fail to pass the said proposed law or pass the same with amendments with which the House of Representatives will not agree the Governor-General may dissolve the Senate.

See Official  
Report of the  
Adelaide  
Convention  
Debates, p.  
1150.

C. Or if the Senate reject or fail to pass any proposed law which has passed the House of Representatives or pass the same with amendments with which the House of Representatives will not agree the Governor-General may dissolve both Houses of the Parliament.

D. If either House of Parliament shall in two consecutive Sessions of the same Parliament with an interval of at least six weeks between pass and transmit to the other House for its concurrence therein any proposed law which such other House either fails to pass without amendment within thirty days after receiving the same in the second Session or within such period passes with any amendment not agreed to by the House transmitting the proposed law the provisions of the following sections of this Part shall apply.

(a) The proposed law passed and transmitted in the second Session may include any amendments agreed to by both Houses in the first Session.

(b) The House in which the proposed law originated may pass a resolution that in its opinion the proposed law is of an urgent nature and may transmit the resolution and the proposed law with any amendments agreed to by both Houses up to the time of transmission to the other House with a request for further consideration.

(c) If within thirty days of the transmission of the proposed law as last aforesaid or if the Session shall end before the expiration of such period then within thirty days of the commencement of the next Session of the same Parliament the other House shall not pass the proposed law without amendment or with such amendment as the House transmitting the same agrees to the House in which the proposed law originated may resolve that the same be referred to the direct determination of the people.

(d) If such last-mentioned resolution is passed a vote of the electors of the Commonwealth as to whether the proposed law as last transmitted as aforesaid shall or shall not become law shall be taken unless in the meantime the House to which it has been transmitted has passed the same.

(e) Such vote shall be taken in each State separately, and if the proposed law is affirmed by a majority of the electoral districts for the House of Representatives and by a majority of States containing also a majority of the electors voting, it shall be presented to the Governor-General for the Royal assent as if it had been duly passed by both Houses of Parliament, and on receiving the Royal assent it shall become law. If not affirmed as aforesaid the proposed law shall not become law and shall not be again proposed for a period of at least three years. Until the qualification of electors of members of the House of Representatives becomes uniform throughout the Commonwealth, only one-half the votes for and against the proposed law shall be counted in any State in which adult suffrage prevails.

(f) No such vote shall be taken unless more than six months will elapse before the expiry of Parliament by effluxion of time.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendments be printed, and that a copy be remitted to the Australasian Federal Convention, in pursuance of section 26 of the *Australasian Federation Enabling Act 1896*.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. MINING LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster 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. Foster moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Foster, read a third time.

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

5. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY.—Mr. H. R. Williams, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Foster, read a third time.

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

7. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.

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

In the Preamble omit "1869" and insert "1884."

In clause 1 omit "Bill" and insert "Act."

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

8. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.

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

In the Preamble, line 4, after "Hamilton" insert "municipal district of Hamilton."

In the Preamble, line 5, omit "1869" and insert "1884."

In clause 2, line 4, after "Hamilton" insert "municipal district of Hamilton."

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

9. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

10. **BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Bromley moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
And, after debate—  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
12. **MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
13. **SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. John A. Isaacs,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Foster,	
Mr. Gray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Longmore.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Maloney,  
Mr. Prendergast.

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

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

At the end of clause 2 add “except as provided in section four of this Act.”

Mr. Best moved, That the following words be added to clause 3, viz.:—“except as provided in section four of this Act.”



Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Mason,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Carter,	
Mr. Gray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Longmore.	<i>Tellers.</i>
	Mr. Maloney,
	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion this is a Private Bill."

Mr. Best moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins 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. Best, read a third time.

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

In clause 3, line 35, omit "annual" and insert "animal."

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

15. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 8.

Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Bromley,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Trenwith,	Mr. Prendergast.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 13 and 14 be postponed until Tuesday next.

17. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.

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

18. **SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
19. **ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.
20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 18 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Narrow-gauge Railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction ; together with Appendices.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by Sir George Turner, and the same were read :—

1897.

VICTORIA.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1896-7.

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.**Message No. 11.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1896-7, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 24th August, 1897.

1897.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1898.

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.**Message No. 12.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1897-8, in lieu of Estimates for the three months ending 30th September, 1897, transmitted on 29th June, 1897, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 24th August, 1897.

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

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
  - Land Act 1890.—Part I.—Orders in Council—
    - Alteration of Regulations.
    - Alteration of Regulations.
  - Settlement on Lands Act 1893.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
  - Victorian Railways—
    - Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the year ending 30th June, 1897.
    - Return of Special Passenger Rates for quarter ending 30th June, 1897.
    - Return of Special Goods Rates for quarter ending 30th June, 1897.

(700 copies.)

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly:*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Baker presented a petition from the President and Councillors of the Shire of Colac under the common seal of the said Corporation, praying that the House will be pleased to treat the question of extending railway communication to the Beech Forest as one of great urgency and have it dealt with before the close of the Session.  
On the motion of Mr. Baker, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read :—  
BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 13.*  
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 Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893.*”  
“*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield.*”  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 24<sup>th</sup> August, 1897.
4. MILDURA TRUST LOAN ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896* and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896’ 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.
5. COMPANIES ACT 1896 (REMOVAL OF DOUBTS) BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to remove certain doubts as to the operation of section thirty-one of the *Companies Act 1896*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to remove certain Doubts as to the operation of Section thirty-one of the ‘Companies Act 1896,’*” 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.

6. **MINING COMPANIES' BRANCH REGISTERS BILL.**—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the keeping of branch registers by no-liability mining companies.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Keeping of Branch Registers by No-liability Mining Companies,*" 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. **MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.**—Mr. Taverner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890* and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Taverner and Mr. McLean do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Taverner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the 'Local Government Act 1890' 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.

8. **INSTRUMENTS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Instruments Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Instruments Act 1890,'*" 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. **CORRECTIONS IN SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 25th August, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the City of South Melbourne,*" viz.:—

In the Preamble, line 4, the word "the" has been inserted before "county," and in line 6 the word "for" has been omitted and "from" inserted.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

10. **PAPERS.**—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1896–7.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1896.

11. **SUBSIDY FOR STEAMER "GEM."**—Mr. Styles moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of subsidy paid each year by the Railway Department to the owners of the steamer *Gem* up to the end of the last financial year.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. **ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Sir George Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

14. SUPPLY.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1896-7.—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding £129,094 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1896-7, viz. :—

### I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

DIVISION No. 4.	£	£
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	35	
Type-writing and Reporting Assistance ... ..	375	
		410
DIVISION No. 6.		
REFRESHMENT ROOMS.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Balance of subsidy due to the late R. P. Hawkins as caterer, being the difference between the sum paid to him for the period from 1st July, 1893, to 30th April, 1895, at the rate of £550 per annum, and the rate of £575 per annum due to him under his written contract, £45 16s. 8d. ... ..	...	46
DIVISION No. 7.		
PARLIAMENT GARDENS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	...	10
DIVISION No. 8.		
ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.		
CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	6	
OBSERVATORY.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Weather Telegraph Clerk, Arrears ... ..	2	
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	4	
		6
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	3	
GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.		
Subdivision No. 5A.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Temporary Assistance, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..	70	

	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>		
<b>INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.</b>		
<b>SALARIES.</b>		
Subdivision No. 6.		
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
Two Fifth Class Clerks (one from 1st December, 1896, and one from 19th August, 1896) ... ..	265	
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
Three Inspectors of Factories (one from 21st September, 1896, one from 28th September, 1896, one from 30th September, 1896) ... ..	312	
Two Female Inspectors of Factories, from 8th October, 1896... ..	190	
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	4	
	506	
Subdivision No. 7.		
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
Travelling Expenses, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..	362	
<b>FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.</b>		
<b>SALARIES.</b>		
Sudivision No. 8.		
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
Acting Registrar of Friendly Societies, from 4th September, 1896 ... ..	149	
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	4	
	153	
		1,371
<b>DIVISION No. 9.</b>		
<b>GOVERNMENT STATIST.</b>		
<b>SALARIES.</b>		
Subdivision No. 1.		
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
Fifth Class Clerks—amount short provided ... ..	...	2
<b>DIVISION No. 10.</b>		
<b>POLICE.</b>		
<b>SALARIES AND WAGES.</b>		
Subdivision No. 3.		
<b>GENERAL POLICE.</b>		
To pay Constables whose rate of pay, from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	...	4,000
<b>DIVISION No. 11.</b>		
<b>PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.</b>		
<b>SALARIES.</b>		
Subdivision No. 2.		
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
Third Grade Warder (Arrears), £4 13s. 3d. ... ..	5	
To pay, from 22nd August, 1896, to 2nd April, 1897, a Third Grade Warder, whose probationary term was exceeded, and whose appointment was not confirmed. (To remove a surcharge by the Commissioners of Audit, £67 1s. 4d.) ... ..	68	
To pay an Officer whose rate of pay, from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	6	



DIVISION No. 11.

				Number.	Grade.	Maximum	£	£
<i>Read—</i>								
152	Male Warders (one to 4th April, 1897) ...		38§	1	153	} 20,687		
			38	2	147			
		Hospital Warder (to 4th April, 1897) ...	37	} 3	141			
			1		135			
			25		130			
	Hospital Warder ...	2	} 4	120				
		1		112				
	Hospital Chief Warder (from 5th April, 1897)	9.		135				
	Hospital Senior Warder (from 5th April, 1897)	1	...	165				
		1	...	144				
<i>For—</i>								
152	Male Warders ...		38§	1	153	} 20,685		
			38	2	147			
		Hospital Warder ...	37	} 3	141			
			1		135			
			25		130			
	Hospital Warder ...	2	} 4	120				
		1		112				
	Hospital Warder ...	9		135				
	Hospital Warder ...	1		112				
	Hospital Warder ...	1		135				
<i>Read—</i>								
Nineteen Female Warders	...	...	...	...	£1,500		2	
<i>For—</i>								
Eighteen Female Warders	...	...	...	...	£1,500			

DIVISION No. 12.

HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

SALARIES.

Subdivision No. 1.

PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.

One Medical Superintendent, Arrears 1895-6	...	...	...	...	34
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Subdivision No. 3.

NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.

Male Warders, Arrears 1893-4 and 1894-5	...	...	...	...	37
One Assistant Laundress for four months	...	...	...	...	10

To remove a Surcharge of the Commissioners of Audit.

DIVISION No. 14 OF 1893-4.

Subdivision No. 3.

				Number.	Grade.	Maximum	£
<i>Read—</i>							
Male Warders ...	...	...	}	2*	2	144	} 8,562
				4†	2	144	
				62	2	144	
				1†	2	203	102
				for six months			8,664
<i>In lieu of—</i>							
Male Warders ...	...	...	}	2*	2	144	} 8,664
				4†	2	144	
				63	2	144	

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	£	£
DIVISION No. 13.		
NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	18	
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Incidental Transport and Travelling Expenses ... ..	100	
Subdivision No. 5.		
In aid of Reformatory Schools established by Private Contributions, at the rate of 10s. per week for each Child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service ... ..	325	
Expenses of Boarding out Children, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service ... ..	600	
	925	
		1,043
DIVISION No. 14.		
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
PUBLIC LIBRARY.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	4	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	10	
Subdivision No. 2.	14	
INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	8	
Subdivision No. 3.		
NATIONAL MUSEUM.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	9	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NATIONAL GALLERY.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	8	
Subdivision No. 5.		
GENERAL STAFF.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	9	
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.		
Building and General.—Insurance, Lighting, Cleaning, Protection against Fire, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	240	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 16.		
AUDIT OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses in connexion with Non-clerical Examination ... ..	...	192
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DIVISION No. 17.		
ABORIGINES.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	...	3
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DIVISION No. 18.		
EXHIBITIONS.		
Expenses in connexion with the Hobart International Exhibition ... ..	...	260
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DIVISION No. 19.		
GRANTS.		
No. 10. For the purpose of aiding the funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums, to be allotted among Institutions the Trustees or Committees of which have made themselves personally liable for debts contracted; and among Free Libraries and Country Museums which require special aid on account of their having been recently established or on account of exceptional conditions ... ..	...	1,000
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DIVISION No. 20.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 3. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry ... ..	650	
7. Arrears of Salary to James Evans, Inspector-General of Penal Establishments ... ..	50	
8. Arrears of Salary to R. J. Burrowes, Governor of the Melbourne Gaol, £134 0s. 3d. ... ..	135	
9. Expenses of publishing Decades illustrative of the National History and Palæontology of Victoria ... ..	50	
10. Expenses of Passage from London to Melbourne of the Honorable Duncan Gillies, retiring Agent-General ... ..	250	
11. Allowance for expenses of Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Clarke, G.C.M.G., for acting as Agent-General for Victoria, London, from 6th January, 1897, to 30th June, 1897, at the rate of £1,500 per annum, £729 16s. 9d. ... ..	730	
12. Gratuity to the Executors of the late Baron von Mueller, Government Botanist, equal to nine months' pay ... ..	600	
13. Costs incurred in connexion with the Federation Convention Election ... ..	8,000	
14. Gratuity to the Widow of the late Andrew Turner, Senior Warder, Penal Establishments and Gaols, equal to nine months' pay, £130 10s. ... ..	131	
15. Gratuity to the Trustees (Executors of the Will of Alfred Gates, deceased) for the four children of the late Alfred Gates, Clerk in the Audit Office, equal to nine months' pay ... ..	450	
	-----	11,046
<b>Total Chief Secretary</b> ... ..	...	<b>19,833</b>

## II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 21.		
EDUCATION.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Third Grade Truant Officers—Arrears ... ..	32	
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	
		35
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DIVISION No. 22.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.— <i>Instruction.</i>		
General—Teachers ... ..	£4,890	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	£1,410	
Teachers' Payments on Results—Regulation No. III. ... ..	£1,595	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	£705	
		6,300
		2,300
		8,600
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Books and school requisites ... ..	800	
		9,400
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DIVISION No. 25.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government Service or to their Widows or Children—( <i>Inalterable</i> ):—		
(3) Gratuity to the Widow of the late D. A. Beaumont, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	£141 15 9	
(4) Gratuity to the Mother of the late M. Murray, formerly a Teacher, nine months' pay (to be paid in accordance with terms approved by the Governor in Council) ... ..	89 17 0	
(5) Gratuity to the Widow of the late W. V. Cock, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	142 6 3	
(6) Gratuity to the Widow of the late J. H. Elliott, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	139 15 8	
		514
2. Gratuity to M. J. Gleeson for teaching Drawing ... ..	32	
3. Refund of fine to G. Gould (10s.) ... ..	1	
		547
<b>Total Minister of Public Instruction ... ..</b>		<b>9,982</b>

### III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 27.		
LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Messenger and Caretaker, from 1st October, 1896 ... ..	96	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	6	
Subdivision No. 6.	102	
CONTINGENCIES.		
Professional Assistance, including Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings ... ..	1,500	1,602
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DIVISION No. 28.		
CROWN SOLICITOR.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Travelling, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	...	30
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DIVISION No. 30.		
MASTER IN EQUITY AND LUNACY.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	...	3
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DIVISION No. 31.		
REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles, from 16th to 19th October, 1896 ... ..	8	
SURVEY BRANCH.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
Two Draughtsmen, formerly in Railway Department, from 21st November, 1895, to 30th June, 1896 (£171 3s. 9d.) ... ..	172	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	8	
Subdivision No. 6.	180	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	5	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 32.		
PATENTS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	13	
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses, including Photolithography, &c., for Indexes, Payment of Experts, Books for Library, and Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon Subpœna ... ..	50	63
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DIVISION No. 33.		
SHERIFF.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	13	
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Fees to Jurors ... ..	750	763
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DIVISION No. 33A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Gratuity to Elizabeth Johnson, widow of the late Charles Johnson, formerly 5th Class Clerk in the Office of Titles, being an amount equal to the difference between the compensation money refunded by the said Charles Johnson and the amount of pension allowance drawn by him (£176 9s. 4d.) ... ..	177	
Refund of penalty paid on agreement for rent, D. O'Leary to B. E. De Wardt, dated 3rd September, 1895 ... ..	4	
Refund of penalty paid on conveyance, Charlton to Charlton, dated 30th July, 1894, penalty having been reduced by Postmaster-General from £5 to £1 ... ..	4	
Refund of penalties of £5 2s. 4d. paid on a deed of assignment of Rights under a Will, Ryan and others to Martin, No. 880, dated 24th March, 1896, the Postmaster-General having on 12th August, 1896, remitted £4 of the said penalties ... ..	4	
Refund of penalties of £5 18s. 5d. paid on conveyance of Equity of Redemption, H. Smith to E. E. Smith, dated 12th April, 1893, the Postmaster-General having on 26th November, 1896, remitted £5 of the penalties ... ..	5	
Refund of penalty of £5 0s. 7d. paid on transfer No. 839466, Melbourne Permanent Building Society by direction to Ann Buckley, dated 14th July, 1896, having been reduced by the Postmaster-General to 6s. 7d. (£4 14s.)... ..	5	
Refund of penalties amounting to £10 paid on two transfers dated 21st May, 1894, King to Smith and another, the Postmaster-General having on the 11th December, 1896, remitted £5 of the penalties ...	5	
Refund of penalty paid on transfer Bodey to Sexton, the Postmaster-General having remitted the penalty ... ..	5	
		209
<b>Total Attorney-General</b> ... ..		<b>2,863</b>

## IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 34.		
COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One Judge (acting), from 7th to 31st December, 1896 ... ..	86	
Subdivision No. 2.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	11	97
DIVISION No. 35.		
POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
Salaries of certain superannuated officers recalled to duty as Police Magistrates under Section 21 of Act No. 1324 ... ..	...	256
DIVISION No. 36.		
CLERKS OF COURTS.		
SALARIES.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Fourth Class Clerk ... ..	...	279
DIVISION No. 37.		
CORONERS.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
No. 2. Surgeons—Remuneration to, &c. ... ..	650	
4. Payments in respect to Inquests, &c. ... ..	40	690
DIVISION No. 37A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Refund of fine inflicted upon Thomas Hewat by the bench of magistrates at Bairnsdale, 22nd December, 1896, for breach of the <i>Education Act</i> 1890 (10s.) ... ..	1	
Refund of amount seized by police by virtue of a search issued under Act No. 1126, in case <i>Police versus H. E. Harken (£7 3s.)</i> ... ..	8	
Refund of fine inflicted upon Frank Jones by the bench of magistrates at Melbourne, on 30th July, 1896, for betting in contravention of the <i>Street Betting Suppression Act</i> ... ..	20	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter of <i>Margaret Barton versus H. G. L. Barton</i> , maintenance order ... ..	25	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter of <i>Margaret Barton versus H. G. L. Barton (Albert Henry Weston, surety)</i> , maintenance order, for the maintenance of her child ... ..	25	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter of <i>Janet Singleton versus Henry Singleton</i> , maintenance order ... ..	25	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter of <i>Eliza Lane versus H. J. Brear, the younger</i> , maintenance order ... ..	20	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter of <i>Mary Curtis versus John Curtis</i> , maintenance order ... ..	10	
Refund of a portion of a fine imposed upon Thomas Leersen by the bench of magistrates at Avoca, on 11th January, 1897, for a breach of the <i>Health Act</i> 1890 (£1 10s.) ... ..	2	
Amounts equal to one-fourth of the fines inflicted on certain persons for assisting in conducting and being found in gaming houses on 17th July, 1896, at Collingwood, 27th July and 6th August, 1896, at Port Melbourne ( <i>W. Featherby, £22 14s. 6d., and S. Powell, £22 14s. 6d.</i> ) ... ..	46	
		182
<b>Total Solicitor-General ... ..</b>		<b>1,504</b>

## V.—TREASURER.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 39.		
INCOME TAX OFFICE.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Two Assistants from 1st February, 1897 ... ..	119	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	11	
		130
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DIVISION No. 41.		
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Clerk ... ..	50	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	56	
		106
Subdivision No. 3.		
Printers—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing of Electoral Rolls and Printing under Contract ... ..	3,000	
Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, and Binding under Contract ... ..	750	
		3,750
Subdivision No. 4.		
Paper and Parchment... ..	1,383	
Photographic Apparatus ... ..	200	
		1,583
		5,439
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DIVISION No. 45.		
Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure ... ..	...	500
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DIVISION No. 46A.		
Allowance to Railway Department for carriage of Victorian Coal ...	10,000	
Allowance to Railway Department for portion of Wages paid to Employés for the two proclaimed holidays in Jubilee Week, viz., 22nd and 26th June, 1897 ... ..	3,116	
		13,116
<b>Total Treasurer</b> ... ..	...	<b>19,185</b>



## VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.		
SALARIES.		
ADMINISTRATIVE AND PAY BRANCH.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from the 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	
ORDNANCE AND MILITARY STORES BRANCH.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from the 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	
Subdivision No. 5.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from the 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	25	
Subdivision No. 7.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Temporary Assistance ... ..	43	
Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals ... ..	30	
	73	
Subdivision No. 10.		
MOUNTED RIFLES.		
SALARIES.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from the 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	
Subdivision No. 11.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Capitation and Effective Allowance ... ..	40	
Subdivision No. 12.		
VICTORIAN RANGERS.		
SALARIES.		
One Adjutant ... ..	2	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
Subdivision No. 15.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Compensation as recommended by Boards of Inquiry to Members injured on duty ... ..	115	
Expenses Military Representation in England in connexion with the celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee ... ..	3,050	
Expenses of Parade in Melbourne on the occasion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee ... ..	650	
Expenses in connexion with despatch of Armourer to England for course of instruction ... ..	50	
Gratuity for the maintenance and education of Marjorie Heinbockel, daughter of the late H. V. H. Heinbockel. (Equal to nine months' pay) ... ..	210	
	4,075	
Subdivision No. 25.		
PERMANENT STAFF MILITIA.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers ... ..	12	
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ... ..	15	
	27	
Subdivision No. 29.		
VICTORIAN ARTILLERY.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Rations ... ..	200	
Subdivision No. 33.		
MILITIA CONTINGENCIES.		
Effective allowance ... ..	190	
Subdivision No. 34.		
ORDNANCE BRANCH.		
Whitehead Torpedoes ... ..	35	
<b>Total Minister of Defence</b> ... ..		<b>4,676</b>

## VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 49.		
SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Fifty-nine 5th Class Clerks ... ..	£10,293	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Fifty-seven 5th Class Clerks ... ..	£10,293	
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DIVISION No. 50.		
PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...		7
Subdivision No. 2.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 2. Grant to the Committee of Management for 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 a sum of £2,000 be contributed by the said Council, viz.:—Fitzroy Gardens, Carlton Gardens, Flagstaff Gardens, Yarra Park, Princes' Park, Fawkner Park, Flinders Park, Lincoln Square, Argyle Square, Curtain Square, Macarthur Square, Murchison Square, Darling Square, and University, in addition to amount of £1,688 already voted ... ..		312
5. Grant to the Committee of Management for maintaining and improving Darling Gardens, city of Collingwood, on the understanding that a sum of £150 be contributed by the City Council of Collingwood ... ..		150
		462
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DIVISION No. 51.		
BOTANICAL AND DOMAIN GARDENS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Night Watchman—amount short provided ... ..		8
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..		80
Subdivision No. 4.		
<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..		3
		469
		91

	£	£
DIVISION No. 53.		
EXTIRPATION OF RABBITS AND WILD ANIMALS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	...	4
DIVISION No. 54.		
STATE FORESTS AND NURSERIES.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Labour in connexion with Planting and Thinning Trees, Supervision of Sleeper-hewing Operations, &c. ...	£2,650	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Labour in connexion with Planting and Thinning Trees ...	2,100	550
DIVISION No. 55.		
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.		
Labour Colonies ...	...	500
DIVISION No. 56.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 7. To Catherine Vanrenen, half of the amount of balance of purchase money of allotment 39, section C, parish of Kooreh, £17 17s. ...	18	
8. To Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, arrears of salary due to the late Patrick Nelan, Forester, £20 18s. ...	21	
9. Amount short paid to Robert Hook, late Forester, on retirement from the Public Service, having been granted a sum of £21 10s. 6d. instead of £27 14s. 9d., to pay him an amount which, together with pension, would be equal to three months' salary, £6 4s. 3d. ...	7	
10. Planting and Thinning Trees in State Forests in connexion with the Unemployed ...	1,000	
11. Cost of registration of Liens in connexion with the Seed Advances Act ...	60	
12. Construction of Drain at Warburton Village Settlement ...	40	
13. Gratuity to the widow of the late Alexr. Gray, Clerk, equal to nine months' salary ...	150	
		1,296
<i>To remove a surcharge of Commissioners of Audit—</i>		
DIVISION No. 56, MISCELLANEOUS—Financial Year 1895-6.		
<i>Read—</i>		
To pay Officers who retired on 30th April, 1895, under section 143 of the Public Service Act, 54 Vict. No. 1133, amount, together with pension, equal to three months' full salary, £29 18s. 5d.		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
To pay Officers who retired on 30th April, 1894, under section 143 of the Public Service Act, 54 Vict. No. 1133, amount, together with pension, equal to three months' full salary, £29 18s. 5d.		
<b>Total Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey ...</b>	...	<u>2,910</u>

## VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 57.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ..	4	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
	Maxi- mum.	
	£	
Foreman of Labourers, &c. ....	2	
Cleaner and Caretaker, Public Buildings, Bondigo, from 14th September, 1896, £79 14s. 5d. * ..	80	
One Diver's Attendant, at £140 17s., from 6th June, 1897 ..	10	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	53	
<i>Read—</i>		
One Engineer, Dight's Falls ... ..	£204	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One Engineer, Dight's Falls, to 29th May, 1897 ... ..	£186	18
Subdivision No. 5.		163
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
To pay Officer whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	170
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DIVISION No. 58.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 2. Tarring, Re-dipping, &c., Wrought-iron Pipes lying at Elwood Swamp, £139 2s. ....	140	
3. To defray accounts rendered by the Railway Department for Passes issued to the Unemployed, &c. ....	550	
4. Gratuity to the Widow of the late Peter Mass, deckhand on board the dredge <i>John Nimmo</i> , equal to nine months' pay at £10 per month ... ..	90	
		780
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DIVISION No. 59.		
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.—(Inalterable.)		
No. 6. Repairs and Additions to Wharfs, Sheds, Jetties, and Approaches throughout the Colony ... ..	400	
Subdivision No. 3.		
GAOLS AND PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS.—(Inalterable.)		
No. 1. Buildings, Repairs and other works for Gaols, Penal Buildings, Hulks, &c., including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	478	
<i>To satisfy Query by the Commissioners of Audit.</i>		
Subdivision No. 4.		
LUNATIC ASYLUMS.		
<i>Read—</i>		
No. 2. Towards erection of Boundary Walls, Formation of Yards, erection of Out-buildings, Furniture, Fittings, &c., for New Wards, Lunatic Asylum, Sunbury ...	£4,500	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
No. 2. Towards erection of Boundary Walls, Formation of Yards, erection of Out-buildings, &c., for New Wards, Lunatic Asylum, Sunbury ... ..	£4,500	

\* With quarters.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 59.		
Subdivision No. 11.		
SUNDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 1. Additions and Repairs, &c., at Parliament Buildings, including Fittings, Furniture, Ventilating, Fencing, Electric Lighting, Fittings and Maintenance and Cost of working during the Session, £237 2s. 10d. ... ..	238	
2. Repairs, Additions, Fittings, and Furniture for Government Printing Office ... ..	50	
9. Illuminations, &c., for Public Buildings and Other Expenses in connexion with the Celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Reign of Her Majesty the Queen ... ..	1,600	
	<b>1,888</b>	
Subdivision No. 13.		
FENCES AND REPAIRS TO FENCES, ETC.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 2. Fencing Police Paddocks and Buildings, including repairs ...	50	
Subdivision No. 15.		
CUSTOMS, ETC., BUILDINGS.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 1. Repairs, Painting, Alterations, Fittings, Furniture, &c., Customs Houses and Sheds, Melbourne and Williamstown ...	50	
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c., also Maintenance of Training College and Grounds ... ..	1,000	
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 3. Repairs and other works at Quarantine Station, Point Nepean, and Calf Lymph Depot, Royal Park ... ..	100	
		<b>3,966</b>
DIVISION No. 61.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
No. 34. Buln Buln Shire.—To assist in constructing Roads and Bridges in mountainous portions of the shire, Council to expend £273 13s. 5d. additional, £273 13s. 5d. ... ..	274	
35. Colac and Winchelsea Shires.—To assist in constructing a Bridge over Skene's Creek at Apollo Bay, Councils to expend £200 additional ... ..	100	
36. Howqua Shire.—To assist in repairing Bridges on the Main road to Wood's Point, Council to expend £59 additional, £177 ... ..	177	
37. Maffra Shire.—To assist in repairing road from Seaton to Donnelly's Creek, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
		<b>801</b>
<b>Total Commissioner of Public Works ...</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>5,717</b>

## IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 62.		
TRADE AND CUSTOMS.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Weigher—Second Grade ... ..	66	
Two Watchmen ... ..	131	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	50	
	247	
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses in connexion with protection of the Revenue ... ..	545	
Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	610	
Stores ... ..	100	
Repairs, Fittings, Furniture ... ..	20	
	1,275	
		1,522
DIVISION No. 63.		
PORTS AND HARBORS, MERCANTILE MARINE, FISHERIES, AND IMMIGRATION.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	7	
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Incidental and Travelling Expenses, Fuel, &c. ... ..	27	
Rewards for the destruction of Cormorants, &c. ... ..	450	
	477	
		484
DIVISION No. 65.		
MARINE BOARD.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ... ..	...	3
DIVISION No. 66.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 3. Refund of Duty paid under exceptional circumstances :—		
(2) On sheep for the Salvation Army ... ..	10	
4. Refund to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners of amount of Drawback Wharfage paid by them (final payment) ... ..	2,000	
5. Refund to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners of amount paid into the Consolidated Revenue, being the difference between one-fifth of the gross amount collected by them from 9th May, 1896, to 31st March, 1897, and one-fifth of amount of net collections after Drawbacks on Wharfage had been deducted, £578 3s. ... ..	579	
	2,589	2,589

## FINANCIAL YEAR 1894-5.—DIVISION No. 72.

## Subdivision No. 4.

## NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.

*Read—*

Four Messengers and Attendants	...	...	...	£422
Three Engine-drivers	...	...	...	437
Seven Boatmen	...	...	...	889
				<u>£1,748</u>

*In lieu of—*

Four Messengers and Attendants	...	...	...	£420
Three Engine-drivers	...	...	...	433
Seven Boatmen	...	...	...	895
				<u>£1,748</u>

## FINANCIAL YEAR 1895-6.—DIVISION No. 65.

## Subdivision No. 2.

## DISTILLERIES AND EXCISE.

## CLERICAL DIVISION.

*Read—*

Seven Fourth Class Clerks, Inspectors, &c.	...	...	...	£1,849
Nine Fifth Class Clerks, Inspectors, &c.	...	...	...	1,591
				<u>£3,440</u>

*In lieu of—*

Seven Fourth Class Clerks, Inspectors, &c.	...	...	...	£1,848
Nine Fifth Class Clerks, Inspectors, &c.	...	...	...	1,592
				<u>£3,440</u>

## FINANCIAL YEAR 1896-7.—DIVISION No. 62.

## Subdivision No. 2.

## CLERICAL DIVISION.

*Read—*

43 Fourth Class Tide Inspector, Tide Surveyors, &c.	...	...	...	£11,732
71 Fifth Class Collectors, &c.	...	...	...	11,991
				<u>£23,723</u>

*In lieu of—*

43 Fourth Class Tide Inspector, Tide Surveyors, &c.	...	...	...	£11,932
68 Fifth Class Tide Waiters, &c.	...	...	...	11,791
				<u>£23,723</u>



FINANCIAL YEAR 1896-7.—DIVISION No. 62.						£	£
Subdivision No. 3.							
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.							
<i>Read—</i>							
1	Caretaker	...	...	...	...	£6	
93	Lockers, &c.	...	...	...	...	14,139	
8	Watchmen	...	...	...	...	1,028	
2	Labourers	...	...	...	...	234	
9	Messengers	...	...	...	...	793	
3	Coxswains	...	...	...	...	433	
3	Engine-drivers	...	...	...	...	449	
1	Fireman	...	...	...	...	117	
7	Boatmen, &c.	...	...	...	...	812	
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127						£18,011	
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<i>In lieu of—</i>							
1	Caretaker	...	...	...	...	£143	
92	Lockers, &c.	...	...	...	...	14,049	
8	Watchmen	...	...	...	...	1,004	
2	Labourers	...	...	...	...	228	
9	Messengers, &c.	...	...	...	...	803	
3	Coxswains	...	...	...	...	426	
3	Engine-drivers	...	...	...	...	440	
1	Fireman	...	...	...	...	114	
7	Boatmen	...	...	...	...	804	
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126						£18,011	
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Total Commissioner of Trade and Customs ...							4,598

## X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 67.		
POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2nd Class <i>f</i> Postmaster (arrears) ... ..	61	
3rd Class <i>f</i> Postmasters (arrears) ... ..	25	
5th Class <i>f</i> Postmistresses (arrears) ... ..	10	
	96	
<i>Read—</i>		
One 5th Class <i>f</i> Superintendent General Delivery Room ...	£117	
Five 5th Class <i>f</i> Sellers of Stamps ... ..	510	
One hundred and fifteen 5th Class <i>f</i> Female Operators and Clerks, at from £54 to £90 per annum * ... ..	8,261	
	£8,888	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One 5th Class <i>f</i> Superintendent General Delivery Room ...	£114	
Five 5th Class <i>f</i> Sellers of Stamps ... ..	500	
One hundred and fifteen 5th Class <i>f</i> Female Operators and Clerks, at from £54 to £90 per annum * ... ..	8,274	
	£8,888	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Telegraph Messengers (arrears) ... ..	3	
Porters and Pillar Clearers (arrears) ... ..	2	
Gatekeeper (arrears) ... ..	15	
	20	
<i>Read—</i>		
Mail Officers and others ... ..	£67,300	
Operating Messengers and others ... ..	31,500	
Inspectors of Telegraph Works and others ... ..	10,488	
Foreman Carpenter and others ... ..	1,274	
Battery Room Foreman and others ... ..	7,882	
Chief Storeman and others ... ..	16,901	
Sorters ... ..	27,805	
	£163,150	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Mail Officers and others ... ..	£66,000	
Operating Messengers and others ... ..	33,500	
Inspectors of Telegraph Works and others ... ..	10,288	
Foreman Carpenter and others ... ..	1,164	
Battery Room Foreman and others ... ..	7,802	
Chief Storeman and others ... ..	16,651	
Sorters ... ..	27,745	
	£163,150	
<i>Read—</i>		
Sixty-six Telephone Switch-board Attendants ... ..	£6,565	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Fifty-six Telephone Switch-board Attendants ... ..	£6,565	

\* Including provision for payment of Increments.

## DIVISION No. 70.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

	£	£
No. 6. To meet deficiency in Post-office accounts owing to embezzlement by Miss Batten, Postmistress, Kilmore, £111 2s. 9d. ...	112	
7. To cover losses sustained through robberies at Post-office, Brunswick East, £21 18s. 9d., and Caulfield East, £20 0s. 2d.	42	
8. Compensation to Blanche Ada Augusta Sophia Lawrence ( <i>née</i> Bull), who retired from the Service on account of marriage, being one month's pay for each year of service and a proportionate sum for additional time less than a year, 16 years 163 days' salary—£84 per annum, £115 2s. 4d. ...	116	
9. Gratuity to the widow of the late John Carroll Ryan, Postmaster, Hamilton, equal to nine (9) months' pay ...	315	
10. Refund to A. J. Hooper of fee paid for a private box at G.P.O., and which has been cancelled by the Department, 18s. ...	1	
11. Refund to F. H. Maxwell, amount of penalty imposed on insufficiently stamped Declaration of Trust <i>in re</i> F. H. Maxwell, R. Wilder, and A. J. Elliott ...	6	
12. Refund to Danby, Butler, and Co., penalty imposed for stamping after execution Deed of Assignment of W. H. Pascoe, of Wycheproof and Wedderburn ...	5	
		597

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*To satisfy a query of the Commissioners of Audit—*

## DIVISION No. 68.—Financial Year 1895-6.

## Subdivision No. 3.

## CLERICAL DIVISION.

*Read—*

3rd Class Clerks ... .. £4,114

*In lieu of—*

3rd Class Clerks (one to 31st December) ... .. £4,114

## Subdivision No. 4 of 1895-6.

## NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.

*Read—*

Operating Messengers and others ... .. £39,187  
 Chief Storeman and others ... .. 16,681  
 £55,868

*In lieu of—*

Operating Messengers and others ... .. £39,196  
 Chief Storeman and others ... .. 16,672  
 £55,868

**Total Postmaster-General ... .. 713**

## XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 71.		
MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
Inspector of Mines, from 15th October, 1896, to 30th June, 1897 ...	148	
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Allowance to Mr. P. Cohen, for acting as Chief Clerk for Mines and Water Supply, from 1st July, 1896, to 30th June, 1897 ...	56	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Water Bailiff, Kow Swamp ...	23	
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	15	
	38	
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Books, Fuel, Light, and Water, and Incidentals ...	450	
		692
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DIVISION No. 75.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 6. For the purchase of Miners' Rights and Railway Passes for Unemployed Miners ...	...	750
<b>Total Minister of Mines and Water Supply ...</b>	...	<b>1,442</b>

## XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 76.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	4	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	3	7
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DIVISION No. 78.		
VINE DISEASES ERADICATION.		
Departmental expenses, trenching and compensation in connexion with eradication of diseased vineyards ... ..	...	1,550
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DIVISION No. 79.		
SCAB PREVENTION AND DISEASES IN STOCK.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	...	3
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DIVISION No. 80.		
GRANTS.		
No. 6. For payment of expenses in connexion with the export to markets other than Australasian of Dairy Produce, Fruits, Honey, Meat, Rabbits, Poultry, and other Products ... ..	1,500	
7. To the Central Wine Association of Victoria one-half of the expenses incurred in connexion with the Exhibition of Victorian Wines at the Brussels International Exhibition, but not to exceed £50 ... ..	50	
		1,550
<b>Total Minister of Agriculture</b> ... ..	...	<b>3,110</b>

### XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 81.		
PUBLIC HEALTH.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION		
To pay Officers whose rate of pay from 1st January to 30th June, 1897, did not exceed £157 per annum (amount short provided) ...	14	
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses of Board of Public Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspectors ... ..	250	
Expenses in connexion with stamping out Contagious Diseases ...	950	
	1,200	
Subdivision No. 6.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Expenses in connexion with the provision of Hospital Accommodation by Municipalities ... ..	72	
		1,286
<hr style="width: 10%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <i>To satisfy a query of the Audit Commissioners.</i>		
DIVISION No. 59 OF 1895-6.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
One 4th Class Clerk ... ..	£254	
Six 5th Class Clerks ... ..	963	
	£1,217	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One 4th Class Clerk ... ..	£253	
Six 5th Class Clerks ... ..	964	
	£1,217	
<b>Total Minister of Health</b> ... ..		1,286

## XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

## DIVISION No. 82.

## VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Working Expenses, &c. (including payment to A. Kozminsky, as compensation for terminating his lease of the right of advertising in Victorian Railways Book Time Table, £1,500) ...	£1,473,000
Less already voted ...	1,427,000
	£11,000
Maintenance Renewals ...	11,000
Locomotive Charges ...	24,000
Traffic Charges ...	10,000
General Charges ...	1,000
	£46,000

£

£

46,000

NOTE.—The increased expenditure for 1896-7 is due to the abolition of percentage deductions on salaries and wages under £157 per annum; to increments provided under the new classification; and to the operation of the Stores Suspense Account, which makes it necessary to debit the current vote for working expenses with all material issued from Stock on that account during the year, which has not hitherto been the practice.

## DIVISION No. 83.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## No. 1. Annual Allowances to late Employés in the Government Railway Service—(Inalterable):—

	£ s. d.			Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£ s. d.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
James Bruce, from 1st July, 1895, to 30th June, 1896 ...	382	10	0	348	15	0	33	15	0
Less amount already voted	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	10	0
							11	5	0

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## No. 4. To provide for the difference between the amount of pension due and a minimum of £30 per annum to certain Officers who have retired under Act No. 54 Vict. No. 1135, since 29th January, 1895:—

George Fawkes, from 16th February, 1895, to 30th June, 1897 ...

£19 3 11

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## No. 6. Gratuity equal to six months' pay to Officers who have retired under Retrenchment Scheme:—

James Michael Farrell ...

£43 0 9

44

## No. 7. To the estate of the late James Fudge—

Gratuity on retirement ...

£3 18 7

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## No. 8. Gratuities in cases of Officers retired, &amp;c. (calculated at the rate of one month's pay for each year of service)—(Inalterable):—

Anderson, John ...	555	5	0	202	10	0	352	15	0
Anderson, John ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	8	6
Baker, Frederick Openshaw ...	233	18	5	152	11	9	81	6	8
Clark, Thomas ...	186	5	2	93	18	0	92	7	2
Connarty, John ...	149	12	10	82	3	3	67	9	7
Cobb, Joseph ...	146	2	4	82	3	3	63	19	1
Canavan, Columban Stephen ...	194	9	5	99	15	5	94	14	0
Conway, Eugene Thomas ...	249	12	10	131	5	0	118	7	10
Davies, John ...	401	10	7	164	6	6	237	4	1
Donaldson, Thomas ...	210	14	9	105	12	9	105	2	0
Dalton, Henry ...	166	13	7	82	2	6	84	11	1
Haslam, Charles Thomas ...	102	14	1	70	8	6	32	5	7
Hollow, Theodore Norwood ...	207	5	10	93	15	0	113	10	10
Hopper, Elizabeth Rebecca ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0	3
Linford, Samuel ...	230	10	11	105	12	9	124	18	2
McInnes, Robert ...	226	8	6	134	19	7	91	8	11
North, William Henry ...	119	0	0	82	3	3	36	16	9
O'Shea, George William ...	221	10	8	93	18	0	127	12	8
Ward, Charles ...	224	8	0	105	12	9	118	15	3
Watt, Jean ...	117	16	6	54	15	0	63	1	6
Whitty, Henry ...	107	19	9	76	5	10	31	13	11

## DIVISION No. 83.

				Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£	£	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.			£
Beaumont, Daniel Abraham (widow of) ...	358	18	1	206	5	0	152	13	1
Bond, Collingwood (widow of) ...	212	17	8	105	12	9	107	4	11
Barnett, William John (widow of) ...	175	7	8	112	10	0	62	17	8
Buckley, Daniel Lawrence (widow of) ...	124	19	7	115	8	4	9	11	3
Cameron, Duncan (widow of) ...	308	1	0	129	2	3	178	18	9
Carey, Lucius Francis (widow of) ...	146	5	11	88	0	8	58	5	3
Deakin, George (widow of)	172	7	9	111	10	2	60	17	7
Gamble, William Graham (widow of) ...	188	16	2	75	5	7	113	10	7
Heatly, Charles (widow of)	305	18	4	297	3	3	8	15	1
Heaney, Patrick (widow of) ...	162	0	10	92	3	3	79	17	7
Harding, Charles (widow of)	163	16	5	105	12	9	58	3	8
Haslam, William Henry (widow of) ...	416	9	2	152	11	9	263	17	5
Hicks, Thomas (widow of)	150	15	10	68	8	9	82	7	1
Jones, Richard Hy. (widow of) ...	766	11	3	205	6	3	561	5	0
Lalor, Patrick (widow of)	219	0	6	99	15	5	119	5	1
Ladner, Edward Jas. (widow of) ...	198	6	9	105	12	9	92	14	0
McPherson, Donald (widow of) ...	248	0	5	152	11	9	95	8	8
McKay, Daniel (widow of)	147	19	0	138	4	1	9	14	11
Reynolds, George (widow of) ...	165	14	4	75	5	8	90	8	8
Robinson, Robt. Finlay (widow of) ...	159	18	4	75	5	8	84	12	8
Vivash, Thomas (widow of)	172	11	8	88	0	8	84	11	0
Williams, David (widow of)	276	5	5	176	5	0	100	0	5
Anson, Edward Henry (per R. G. Kent, as trustee for the children of) ...	208	5	8	99	15	5	108	10	3
Leitch, Mary (per R. G. Kent and G. Jones as trustees) ...	102	4	2	54	15	0	47	9	2
Lynar, William Conway (mother of) ...	241	16	10	116	5	0	125	11	10
Murphy, Thomas (mother of) ...	157	6	4	105	12	9	51	13	7
McAlees, David (mother of) ...	139	14	6	88	0	8	51	13	10
Egan, John (daughter of)	111	5	11	68	8	9	42	17	2
Hogan, William (daughter of) ...	110	12	5	75	5	8	35	6	9
Kennedy, Thomas (executors of) ...	138	14	1	105	12	9	33	1	4
Middlemiss, Archibald, (executors of) ...	152	18	4	99	15	5	53	2	11
Adams, William Squire (per Master in Lunacy)	185	8	10	99	15	5	85	13	5
							5,194	9	5
							5,195		5,275

**Total Minister of Railways** ... .. **51,275**

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



15. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
16. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason 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 1896-7 the sum of £129,094 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.  
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.  
Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
17. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).**—Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and twenty-nine thousand and ninety-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven,*” 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.  
Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Sir George Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason 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 George Turner, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
18. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Treasury Bonds Act 1896, No. 1451.—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, to 30th June, 1897.
3. SUGAR DUTIES.—Mr. Hamilton moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The date when duties of Customs and Excise were first imposed on sugar in this colony.
  2. The total amount collected on sugar up to the time the duties were increased in 1892 or 1893.
  3. The total amount collected on sugar since the duties were increased.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Maloney rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “The condition of the unemployed.”  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Maloney moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
5. FRIDAY SITTING.—Sir George Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock a.m.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the expenditure of moneys available under Loan Acts for railways.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. H. R. Williams then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to sanction the Expenditure of Moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways,*” 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. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Lilydale to Yarra Junction.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Irvine moved, as an amendment, That the words “provided that it be constructed at a cost not exceeding £2,000 per mile, exclusive of the cost of engines and rolling-stock,” be added to the motion.  
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Lilydale to Yarra Junction, provided that it be constructed at a cost not exceeding £2,000 per mile, exclusive of the cost of engines and rolling-stock—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. H. R. Williams then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction,*” 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.

9. **SUPPLY.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir George Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and twenty-nine thousand and ninety-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven*” without amendment.  
Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 26th August, 1897.  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
11. **LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. H. R. Williams, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. **LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Sir George Turner moved, by leave That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening, so far as regards Government Business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon 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. H. R. Williams, read a third time.  
Mr. Wheeler moved, That the words “six inches” be inserted after the words “two feet,” in clause 3 line 4.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and negatived.  
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.

And having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock—

FRIDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1897.

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

On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

15. **SUPPLY.**—ESTIMATES FOR 1897-8.—Mr. Wilkins reported from the Committee of Supply certain 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 1897-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION NO. 1.	£	£
		LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		The President ... ..	750	
1		The Chairman of Committees ... ..	400	
2			1,150	

DIVISION No. 1.		£	£
Subdivision No. 2.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Allowances to Witnesses attending Committees, and Expenses incidental to Committees		25	
Total Division No. 1		1,175	
The sum of		...	860
DIVISION No. 2.			
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.			
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
1		The Speaker	1,000
1		The Chairman of Committees	640
2			1,640
Subdivision No. 2.			
FIRST DIVISION.			
1		The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	880
Subdivision No. 3.			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
1	L.	The Clerk Assistant	748
Subdivision No. 4.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1	2	The Second Clerk Assistant, Clerk of Private Bills, and Clerk of Committees	546
1	2	Clerk of the Papers and Accountant	546
1	3	Serjeant-at-Arms and Assistant Clerk of Committees	414
1	4	Assistant Clerk of the Papers	326
1	4	Reader	303
1	5	Assistant Reader and Telegraph Operator	188
6			2,323
Subdivision No. 5.			
SERJEANT-AT-ARMS DIVISION.			
1		Housekeeper*	256
10		Doorkeepers†...	1,750
1		Hall Keeper	188
1		Hall Porter	177
1		Engineer	198
1		Engineer's Assistant‡	158
15			2,727
25		Total SALARIES	8,318

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

	Minimum Rate of Pay.	Scale of Annual Additions.		Maximum Rate of Pay.	All increments to accrue from 1st July.
		Number.	Amount.		
† Doorkeepers	48s. per week	8	3s. per week	72s. per week	
‡ Engineer's Assistant	£12 per month	4	10s. per month	£14 per month	

					£	£
DIVISION No. 2.						
Subdivision No. 6.						
CONTINGENCIES.						
Fuel, Light, and Water, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ...					600	
Charwomen, Lift Attendant, and other Temporary Non-Clerical Assistance ... ..					450	
Expenses of Select Committees, including Allowances to Witnesses ...					25	
					1,075	
Total Division No. 2 ... ..					9,393	
The sum of ... ..					...	6,893
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DIVISION No. 3.						
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.						
Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses ... ..					250	
The sum of ... ..					...	150
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DIVISION No. 4.						
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.						
SALARIES.						
Subdivision No. 1.						
CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	2f	Chief Reporter ... ..			501	
1	2f	Reporter ... ..			478	
1	2f	Reporter ... ..			460	
2	5	Clerks (to act as Short-hand Amanuenses and Type-writers) ... ..			345	
					1,784	
5						
Subdivision No. 2.						
CONTINGENCIES.						
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..					75	
Type-writing and Reporting Assistance ... ..					550	
					625	
Total Division No. 4 ... ..					2,409	
The sum of ... ..					...	1,639

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 5.</b>		
		<b>THE LIBRARY.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	2	The Librarian ... ..		546
1	5	Clerk ... ..		188
2			Maxi- mum.	734
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1		Messenger ... ..	£ 188	176
3		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		910
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Books and Bookbinding ... ..		450
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stationery, Postage Stamps, Allowance to Char- woman, Incidentals, and Temporary Assistance (including Allowance to Temporary Messenger, £150) ... ..		800
				1,250
		<b>Total Division No. 5</b> ... ..		2,160
		The sum of ... ..		1,530
		<b>DIVISION No. 6.</b>		
		<b>REFRESHMENT ROOMS.</b>		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Wages of Staff ... ..		200
		Fuel, Light, and Incidental Expenses ... ..		350
		Water Power for Parliament House (required for the protection of the Parliament Buildings from fire, working lifts, and also for machinery for ventilation) ... ..		225
		<b>Total Division No. 6</b> ... ..		775
		The sum of ... ..		475
		<b>DIVISION No. 7.</b>		
		<b>PARLIAMENT GARDENS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1		Foreman Gardener ... ..	£ 168	154
2		Gardeners ... ..	132	264
3				418
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Incidental Expenses ... ..		50
		<b>Total Division No. 7</b> ... ..		468
		The sum of ... ..		338

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 8.		
		ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.		
		CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		SALARIES.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Under-Secretary ... ..	880	
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk ... ..	442	
1	2	Clerk ... ..	546	
1	2	Inspector of Officers in Charge of Stores ...	546	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	447	
1	3	Clerk ... ..	447	
4	4	Clerks ... ..	1,203	
13	5	Clerks* ... ..	2,238	
		Allowance to 3rd Class Officer discharging the duties of Secretary to the Police Superannuation Board and the Police Medical Board ...	46	
22			5,915	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
1		Caretaker of Government Offices, Spring- street † ... ..	£ 150	170
1		Senior Messenger ... ..	132	120
1		Messenger and Attendant ... ..	120	120
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant ... ..	72	72
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant ... ..	66	60
1		Female Housekeeper ... ..	48	50
6				592
		( <i>Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.</i> )		
1	x	Government Medical Officer ... ..	1,020	
30		Total SALARIES, Chief Secretary's Office ...	8,407	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Telegrams, Stores, Stationery, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Inci- dentals, including temporary allowance to Female Housekeeper in lieu of quarters, Orderly's Allowance, Flags and Office Stationery for His Excellency the Governor ... ..	1,960	
		Cost of Indexing <i>Government Gazette</i> ... ..	120	
		Repairs to Old Treasury Buildings, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ...	100	
			2,180	
		Total Chief Secretary's Office ... ..	10,587	

\* One acting in Executive Council Office and paid under Schedule D, Part IV., 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55. —† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>				
<b>OBSERVATORY.</b>				
Subdivision No. 3.				
SALARIES.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
	Sc. & L.		Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Acting Government Astronomer *	725	372
1		Assistant ... ..	300	279
1		Assistant ... ..	250	235
2		Assistants ... ..	190	307
5				1,193
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	5	Clerical and Photographic Assistant ...	...	188
1	5	Weather Telegraph Clerk ... ..	...	142
2			Maxi- mum.	330
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			£	
1		Mechanical Attendant ... ..	132	108
2		Junior Messengers and Attendants ...	72	144
3				252
10		Total SALARIES, Observatory ... ..	...	1,775
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores, Fuel, Light, Incidentals, Labour, Books, Instruments, Repairs, Photographic Materials, &c. ... ..				450
Weather Service, Local and Intercolonial, including Attendance to Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williamstown ... ..				185
				635
Total Observatory ... ..				2,410
<b>GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.</b>				
Subdivision No. 5.				
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Clerk, acting as Curator, National Herbarium ...		303
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	204	192
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	96	96
2				288
3		Total SALARIES, Government Botanist ...	...	591
Subdivision No. 6.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..				110
Total Government Botanist ... ..				701

\* With quarters.



Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>				
<b>INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.</b>				
Subdivision No. 7.				
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Chief Inspector of Factories ... ..	266	
3	5	Addition to Salary of Chief Inspector of Factories	47	
		Clerks ... ..	564	
4			877	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
4		Inspectors of Factories ... ..	240	903
2		Inspectors of Factories ... ..	204	339
3		Female Inspectors of Factories ... ..	150	408
9				1,650
13		Total SALARIES, Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		2,527
Subdivision No. 8.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Travelling Expenses, Expenses of Special Boards, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..		700
		Total Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		3,227
<b>FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.</b>				
Subdivision No. 9.				
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Actuary for Friendly Societies ... ..	546	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	248	
7	5	Clerks ... ..	1,276	
		Acting Registrar of Friendly Societies, two months	31	
9				2,101
Subdivision No. 10.				
( <i>Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.</i> )				
1		Registrar of Friendly Societies ... ..	332	
10		Total SALARIES, Friendly Societies ... ..		2,433
Subdivision No. 11.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores and Incidentals ... ..		60
		Total Friendly Societies ... ..		2,493
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Subdivision No. 12.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )				
		British New Guinea.—Contribution towards the Expenses of the Government of British New Guinea for the year ending 31st May, 1898	5,000	
		Agent-General—Expenses of Staff and Office ... ..	2,000	
		Allowance for Expenses to Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Clarke, G.C.M.G., as Acting Agent-General (not subject to percentage reduction) ... ..	1,500	
			8,500	
		Total Division No. 8 ... ..		27,918
		The sum of ... ..		18,638

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 9.				£	£
		<b>GOVERNMENT STATIST.</b>					
		<b>SALARIES.</b>					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	3	Assistant Government Statist	...	...	...	447	
1	4	Assistant Government Statist	...	...	...	326	
3	4	Clerks	...	...	...	796	
23	5	Clerks	...	...	...	4,255	
<b>28</b>						<b>5,824</b>	
		Subdivision No. 2.					
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
					Maxi- mum.		
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	£	72	
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	66	66	
<b>2</b>						<b>138</b>	
<b>30</b>		<b>Total SALARIES</b>	...	...	...	<b>5,962</b>	
		Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.					
		Stores and Incidentals (including Paper for Registers of Births and Deaths, Travelling Allowances and Expenses of Officers attending Law Courts upon Subpœna) ... ..					225
		Subdivision No. 4.					
		Allowances to Registrars	...	...	...	4,500	
		<b>Total Division No. 9</b>	...	...	...	<b>10,687</b>	
		<b>The sum of</b>	...	...	...	<b>...</b>	<b>8,007</b>
		DIVISION No. 10.					
		<b>POLICE.</b>					
		<b>SALARIES.</b>					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.					
1	x	Chief Commissioner*	...	...	...	792	
		Subdivision No. 2.					
		CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	3	Accountant	...	...	...	447	
1	4	Acting Chief Clerk	...	...	...	254	
1	4	Clerk	...	...	...	326	
5	5	Clerks	...	...	...	931	
<b>8</b>						<b>1,958</b>	

\* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 10.</b>				
<b>SALARIES AND WAGES.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>GENERAL POLICE.</b>				
1	x	Inspecting Superintendent* ... ..	460	
10	x	Superintendents,* at £375, including allowance to officer in charge of Plain-clothes Police of £50	3,530	
8	x	Inspectors,* at £300, including allowance to Senior Officer, Russell-street Station, of £50	2,279	
14	x	Sub-Inspectors,* at £255 ... ..	3,321	
1	x	Drill Instructor* (foot), with brevet rank of Sub-Inspector, at 11s. 6d. daily	198	
100	x	Sergeants,* 1st Class—Fifty, with daily pay from 10s. 6d. to 11s. ... ..	17,308†	
		2nd Class—Fifty, with daily pay from 9s. to 11s. ... ..		
1277	x	Constables,* Senior—One hundred and forty-three, with daily pay from 8s. to 10s. ... ..	186,714‡	
		Ordinary—Eleven hundred and thirty-four, with daily pay from 6s. to 9s. 6d. ... ..		
		Extra pay to members of the Force on plain-clothes duty, viz.:—Seven at 5s. 6d. daily, twelve at 3s. 6d. daily, ten at 2s. 6d. daily, five at 1s. 6d. daily, and twenty at 1s. daily	2,300	
1	x	Hospital Wardsman, at 7s. daily	128	
1412			216,238	
		Deduct to be repaid by the Mint, Railway Department, and Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools ... ..	£1,245	
		Deduct to be repaid from the Licensing Act 1890 Fund, being the pay of six Sub-Inspectors acting as Inspectors under Act No. 1111 ... ..	1,422	
			2,667	
1421			213,571	
		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..	216,321	

**Subdivision No. 4.****CONTINGENCIES.**

Allowances to Officers in lieu of Grooms, and for repairs to Saddlery used by Officers, at £40 each yearly ... ..	720
Allowance in lieu of Quarters, Fuel, Light, and Water to Sub-Officers and Constables living out of Barracks ... ..	7,500
Forage ... ..	8,250
Travelling Expenses ... ..	6,400
Stores ... ..	2,000
Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	4,000
Shoeing and Farriery ... ..	900
Purchase of Horses ... ..	400
Medical Expenses of Police, including reimbursement of cost of Clothing destroyed in the execution of duty ... ..	200
Incidentals, Repairs to Saddlery, and Expenses of Black Trackers ... ..	2,400

**NOTES ON SALARIES.**

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Including 1s. a day additional pay to one hundred Sergeants after ten years' service, 6d. a day additional pay to one Sergeant after six years' service to 11th September, 1s. a day additional pay to seven Sergeants (2nd class) losing promotion on account of age, and 6d. a day additional pay to ten Sergeants over 55 years of age and in important charges.—‡ Including 1s. a day additional pay to seven hundred and seventy-three Constables after ten years' service, 6d. a day additional pay to three hundred and thirty-two Constables after six years' service, 1s. a day additional pay to twelve Constables, eight employed as Superintendents' Clerks, two as Horse-breakers, one as Mounted Drill Instructor, and one as Store-keeper at Depot, and 6d. a day additional pay to four Constables over 55 years of age and in important charges.

DIVISION No. 10.						£	£
Transport of Prisoners	...	...	...	...	...	2,900	
Burial of Destitute Persons	...	...	...	...	...	1,250	
Maintenance of Prisoners while in charge of Police, including Provisions, Medical Attendance, Medicines, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	530	
Law Costs incurred by the Police	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Rewards for the Apprehension of Offenders	...	...	...	...	...	100	
Allowances to Cook and Female Searchers	...	...	...	...	...	320	
Allowance to Medical Officer to the Police Force *	...	...	...	...	...	372	
Provisions, Medical Comforts, Medicines, and occasional Nurses for Police Hospital *	...	...	...	...	...	200	
						38,642	
Total Division No. 10						254,963	
The sum of						...	187,963

## DIVISION No. 11.

Number.		Classification	PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.					
			SALARIES.					
			Subdivision No. 1.					
			CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	1f	Inspector-General	...	...	...	668		
1	2	Chief Clerk and Accountant	...	...	...	546		
1	2f	Governor of Gaol †	...	...	...	460		
1	3	Governor of Gaol †	...	...	...	447		
1	3	Governor of Gaol †	...	...	...	384		
4	4	Clerks	...	...	...	1,017		
1	4	Storekeeper	...	...	...	213		
3	5	Clerks	...	...	...	527		
			Addition to Salary of Captain Evans, Inspector-General of Penal Establishments and Gaols †				45	
13							4,307	
			Subdivision No. 2.					
			NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
							Maxi- mum.	
4		Governors of Gaols †—One at £252, one at £234, and two at £225	...	...	...	288	878	
1		Deputy Governor †	...	...	...	275	256	
1		Storekeeper at Melbourne Gaol §	...	...	...	168	164	
1		Photographer	...	...	...	264	246	
1		Overseer of Woollen Factory	...	...	...	252	226	
1		Overseer of Works †	...	...	...	220	207	
6		Overseers	...	...	...	210	1,070	
1		Senior Chief Warder †	...	...	...	225	212	
5		Chief Warders †	...	...	...	234	1,204	
2		Chief Warders	...	...	...	234		
16		Senior Warders	...	...	...	174	3,198	
4		Senior Warders †	...	...	...			
1		Hospital Chief Warder †	...	...	...	178	156	
1		Hospital Senior Warder	...	...	...	156	144	

\* Expenditure will be partly met by stoppages from the pay of the men in Hospital.—† With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servants, as provided by Gaol Regulations.—‡ In accordance with terms of appointment to the office.—§ Transferred with the higher salary.—|| Subject to the deductions made by Act 1313, Acting Senior Warders to be paid at the rate of £153 per annum, being the salary of a First Grade Warder in accordance with the Regulations in force on 14th January, 1894; eight to be paid also 6d. per diem for ten years' service in the Penal and Gaols Branch.

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149	f	Male Warders—		} 20,997																								
1		Hospital Warder ...	180		170																							
1		Artisan Warder ...	192		181																							
1		Governor of Female Prison ‡	156		120																							
1		Sub-Matron ‡	100		100																							
1		Sub-Matron ‡	102		102																							
1		Hospital Nurse and Warder ‡	96		66																							
18		Hospital Nurse and Warder ‡	102		1,516																							
		Female Warders—One at 5s. 3d. per diem, three at £8* per month, four at £7 10s. per month, five at £7 per month, two at £6 10s. per month, three at £5 per month	102																									
218					31,213																							
Subdivision No. 3.																												
(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)																												
1	x	Overseer of Mat-makers ...		230																								
232		Total SALARIES ...		35,750																								
Subdivision No. 4.																												
CONTINGENCIES.																												
		Chaplains—Allowance to ...		825																								
		Working Prisoners—Allowance to ...		450																								
		Provisions ...		5,750																								
		Stores, including Clothing, Bedding, and Materials for Manufacture ...		3,400																								
		Fuel, Light, and Water ...		2,700																								
		Medicines and Medical Attendance ...		1,450																								
		Forage, Burials, and Relief to Destitute Prisoners on discharge ...		350																								
		Books for Library and School ...		50																								
		Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ...		1,500																								
				16,475																								
		Total Division No. 11 ...		52,225																								
		The sum of ...		39,035																								

\* Includes 6d. per diem for ten years' service in the Penal and Goals Branch.—† Subject to the deductions made by Act 1313, of the Warders appointed prior to 15th January, 1894, 37 who are senior in the service to be paid at the rate of £153 per annum, being the salary of First Grade Warders in accordance with Regulations in force on 14th January, 1894; 37 Warders, being those next in seniority to the Warders paid £153, to be paid at the rate of £147 per annum, being the salary for Second Grade Warders in accordance with said Regulations; 37 Warders, being those next in seniority to the Warders paid £147, to be paid at the rate of £141 per annum, being the salary for Third Grade Warders, in accordance with said Regulations.—‡ With quarters, fuel, light, and prisoner servants, as provided by Gaol Regulations.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
DIVISION NO. 12.				
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
1	M.	Inspector of Lunatic Asylums and Medical Superintendent, Kew Lunatic Asylum* ...	£ 850	} 4,854
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	850	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	690	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	650	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	520	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	360	
1	"	Senior Medical Officer* ...	500	
3	"	Junior Medical Officers* ...	350	
3	"	Junior Medical Officers* ...	240	
1	Ed.	Head Teacher, Idiot Asylum* ...	198	
14				4,854
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Clerk and Accountant† ...	...	} 4,380
2	3	Secretaries* ...	...	
1	3	Secretary* ...	...	
1	3f	Secretary* ...	...	
1	4f	Secretary* ...	...	
1	5	Secretary* ...	...	
2	4	Clerks† ...	...	
8	5	Clerks† ...	...	
17				4,380
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
1		Dispenser* ...	£ 192	} 4,809
1		Engineer* ...	228	
1		Engineer* ...	150	
2		Engineers* ...	210	
1		Engineer* ...	132	
1		Farm Bailiff* ...	252	
1		Farm Bailiff* ...	216	
1		Farm Bailiff* ...	156	
2		Farm Bailiffs* ...	132	
2		Matrons* ...	192	
2		Matrons* ...	156	
2		Matrons* ...	96	
3		Junior Messengers ...	72	
3		Junior Messengers ...	66	
3		Head Attendants* ...	252	
3		Head Attendants* ...	132	
4		Hospital Attendants, Male ...	162	
1		Hospital Attendant, Male ...	120	
2		Hospital Attendants, Female ...	96	
3		Hospital Attendants, Female ...	60	
1		Head Teacher, Idiot Asylum, Female ...	108	
1		Senior Attendant, Idiot Asylum, Female ...	60	
1		Instructor, Idiot Asylum, Male ...	...	
1		Instructor, Idiot Asylum, Female ...	...	

Number.	Classification			£	£
DIVISION No. 12.					
Artisan Staff—					
				Maxi- mum.	
				£	
5	Carpenters†	...	...	144	} 5,953
4	Painters†	...	...	132	
10	Cooks, Male	...	...	144	
3	Cooks, Male	...	...	108	
2	Cooks, Female	...	...	48	
1	Gardener†	...	...	156	
1	Carter†	...	...	108	
2	Storement†	...	...	162	
3	Storement†	...	...	144	
4	Tailors†	...	...	144	
5	Shoemakers†	...	...	144	
1	Blacksmith†	...	...	132	
1	Fireman†	...	...	108	
7	Tailoresses†	...	...	84	
16	Laundresses	...	...	90	
2	Laundresses	...	...	36	
235	Male Attendants—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades	...	...	23,237	
183	Female Attendants—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades	...	...	7,625	
528				41,624	
559	Total SALARIES	...	...	50,858	
Subdivision No. 4.					
CONTINGENCIES.					
	Chaplains—Allowance to	...	...	480	
	Provisions and Extra Articles	...	...	36,000	
	Clothing and Bedding and Material for Manufacture	...	...	9,000	
	Stores (including Repairs), Purchase of Stock, Books, &c.	...	...	3,000	
	Medicines and Medical Comforts	...	...	1,600	
	Forage	...	...	300	
	Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	6,500	
	Maintenance of Lunatics in General Hospitals	...	...	300	
	Expenses in connexion with the Committal and Transport of Lunatics	...	...	1,500	
	Expenses in connexion with Boarding out Patients	...	...	650	
	Temporary Employés, Incidentals, &c.	...	...	2,250	
	Fee to Official Visitor	...	...	12	
				61,592	
	Total Division No. 12	...	...	112,450	
	The sum of	...	...	...	84,705

NOTES TO HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

All officers except those marked † receive quarters, fuel, light, water, and washing.—The Medical Staff, Secretaries, Farm Bailiffs, Matrons, Dispensers, Head Attendants, Head Teacher Male, and Engineers are allowed milk, vegetables, and patient servant in addition.—The Farm Bailiffs are allowed grass for a horse in addition.—The Medical Staff and Secretaries are allowed grass for one horse and one cow in addition.—Those marked \* are allowed quarters for their families in addition.—The Head Teacher Female Instructors, Messengers, and Attendants receive rations in addition.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 13.				
DEPARTMENT FOR NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Secretary and Inspector	...	546
1	4	Acting Accountant, &c.	...	317
2	4	Clerks	...	582
6	5	Clerks	...	1,128
10				2,573
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Waggonette Driver*	156	130
1		Messenger	120	120
1	f	Matron, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts*	156	122
5		Attendants, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts*	90	415
1		Female Instructor*	90	72
4	f	Instructors, Boys' Receiving Depôts, &c.— One at £128,* one at £126, one at £119,* and one at £102*	144	475
13				1,334
Subdivision No. 3.				
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>				
1		Maintenance Officer†	...	173
1		Visiting Officer	...	235
2				408
25		Total SALARIES	...	4,315
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Provisions	...	400
		Clothing and Bedding	...	125
		Fuel, Light, and Water	...	275
		Stores, Stock, &c.	...	300
		Medical Attendance, Medicines, and Medical Comforts	...	75
		Incidentals, Transport, and Travelling Expenses	...	1,100
		Commission to Collector of Arrears for Maintenance of Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	...	150
				2,425
Subdivision No. 5.				
		In aid of Industrial Schools established by private contributions, at the rate not exceeding 5s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	1,000
		In aid of Reformatory Schools established by private contributions, at the rate not exceeding 10s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	5,000
		Expenses of Boarding out Children, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	34,000
		Expenses of Boarding out Children whose periods of commitment have expired, but who, by reason of affliction, cannot be sent to service	...	250
				40,250
		Total Division No. 13	...	46,990
		The sum of	...	35,030

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Paid to Police Department, this officer being a member of the Police Force.



Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 14.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
	Sc.		Maximum. £	
1		Librarian* ... ..	610	419
1		First Principal Assistant ... ..	600	484
2				903
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4f	Assistant ... ..		279
1	4	Assistant ... ..		279
7	5	Junior Assistants ... ..		1,277
9				1,835
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum. £	
1		Senior Attendant ... ..	156	156
3	f	Attendants ... ..	120	312
1		Bookbinder and Attendant ... ..	180	170
9		Junior Messengers and Attendants ... ..	72	627
14				1,265
25		Total SALARIES, Public Library ...		4,003
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Curator and Mineralogist ... ..		250
1		Assistant ... ..		90
2				340
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum. £	
3	f	Attendants ... ..	120	312
1	f	Carpenter and Model Maker ... ..	216	158
4				470
6		Total SALARIES, Industrial and Technological Museum ... ..		810

\* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 14.		
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NATIONAL MUSEUM.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1	1	Director and Palæontologist, acting also as Zoologist ... ..	279	
1		Taxidermist ... ..	180	
2			459	
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4f	Clerk, also acting as Secretary to the Museum ...	207	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
3	f	Taxidermists ... ..	252	639
2	f	Assistant Taxidermists ... ..	168	278
1	f	Carpenter and Attendant ... ..	156	120
1	f	Attendant ... ..	120	114
1		Charwoman ... ..	...	50
8				1,201
11		Total SALARIES, National Museum ...		1,867
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NATIONAL GALLERY.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Director of the National Gallery and Master of the School of Art ... ..	450	
1		Instructor and Master in the School of Design ...	250	
2				700
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
1	f	Senior Attendant ... ..	156	156
5	f	Attendants ... ..	120	510
1	f	Labourer ... ..	120	108
7				774
9		Total SALARIES, National Gallery ...		1,474

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 14.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		<b>GENERAL STAFF.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188	
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
2		Senior Attendants ... ..	312	
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant ... ..	72	
3			384	
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Caretaker ... ..	70	
1		Attendant ... ..	50	
2			120	
6		Total SALARIES, General Staff ... ..	692	
57		Total SALARIES, DIVISION No. 14 ... ..	8,846	
		Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.		
		Public Library.—Purchase of Books and Periodicals, Binding, Stationery, Stores, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	1,428	
		Industrial and Technological Museum.—Fittings, Cases, Chemicals, Stores, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	50	
		National Museum.—Stores, Chemicals, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	150	
		National Gallery.—Picture Frames, Interchange of Pictures with Sydney and Adelaide Galleries, Repairs to Casts, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	150	
		Building and General.—Insurance, Lighting, Cleaning, Protection against Fire, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	2,384	
			4,162	
		Total Division No. 14 ... ..	13,008	
		The sum of ... ..		8,883
		<b>DIVISION No. 15.</b>		
		<b>GOVERNMENT SHORTHAND WRITER.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 1.—CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1f	Government Shorthand Writer ... ..	549	
1	2	Assistant Shorthand Writer ... ..	546	
1	3	Clerk to act as Assistant ... ..	447	
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188	
4			1,730	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	
5		Total SALARIES ... ..	1,802	
		Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.		
		Clerical Assistance ... ..	100	
		Stores and Incidentals ... ..	100	
			200	
		Total Division No. 15 ... ..	2,002	
		The sum of ... ..		1,472

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 16.				
AUDIT OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2	2	Clerks ... ..	1,092	
5	3	Clerks ... ..	2,167	
8	4	Clerks ... ..	2,355	
18	5	Clerks ... ..	3,234	
33		Subdivision No. 2.	8,848	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144
35		Total SALARIES ... ..	8,992	
Subdivision No. 3.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Travelling Expenses ... ..	230	
		Fuel, Stores, and Incidentals, &c. ... ..	150	
			380	
		Total Division No. 16 ... ..	9,372	
		The sum of ... ..	...	7,032
DIVISION No. 17.				
ABORIGINES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	x	General Inspector and Secretary ... ..	414	
1	4	Superintendent, Coranderrk* ... ..	232	
2			646	
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Matron, Coranderrk* ... ..	102	77
1		Messenger and Attendant ... ..	120	120
2			197	
4		Total SALARIES ... ..	843	
Subdivision No. 3.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Medical Attendance and Medicines ... ..	140	
		Stores, Provisions, Clothing, Transport, and Incidentals ... ..	2,800	
		Repairs and Improvements to Stations ... ..	210	
		Labour, Purchase of Stock, Seeds, and other Expenses of Cultivation ... ..	650	
		Management of Stations, Depôts, including Insurance ... ..	492	
		Travelling Expenses of Members of Board, Officers, and Aborigines ... ..	250	
		Stationery and Office Expenses... ..	130	
			4,672	
		Total Division No. 17 ... ..	5,515	
		The sum of ... ..	...	4,305

\* With quarters and rations.

	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 18.</b>		
<b>EXHIBITIONS.</b>		
To meet expenses incurred by the Trustees of the Exhibition Building	1,250	
The sum of ... ..	...	935
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<b>DIVISION No. 19.</b>		
<b>GRANTS.</b>		
No. 1. For the purpose of aiding the Funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums ... ..	2,500	
The Grant to be distributed subject to the following conditions:—		
I. That no more than one-sixteenth of the entire sum be divided amongst the Institutions within ten miles of Melbourne.		
II. That where the Free Library or Museum is part of, or connected with, a Mechanics' or other Institution, all the books, periodicals, and newspapers in such Institution, or all the articles in the Museum, as the case may be, are to be available to the public in the Free Library or Museum on all occasions when they are available to subscribers.		
III. That the Grant be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.		
2. To the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society ... ..	3,000	
3. To the Royal Society ... ..	100	
4. To the Victorian Artists' Society ... ..	100	
5. To the Art Galleries for Ballarat, Bendigo, and Warrnambool (to be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council) ... ..	200	
6. To be equally divided between the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatising Society and the Ballarat Fish Acclimatisation Society, to assist these Societies in the Acclimatisation and Distribution of Freshwater Fish throughout the colony, and for providing additional Breeding Ponds ... ..	100	
7. To the College of Pharmacy ... ..	500	
8. In aid of the expenses of the Pharmacy Board in connexion with the administration of the Pharmacy and Poison Acts ... ..	200	
9. To the Victorian Society for the Protection of Animals ... ..	50	
Total Division No. 19 ... ..	6,750	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,710
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<b>DIVISION No. 20.</b>		
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
<b>No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or their Widows—(Inalterable):—</b>		
(1) Annual allowance in lieu of compensation on services having been dispensed with:—		
To Alfred Buck—Overseer, Penal Department ... .. £135 0 0		
„ Robert Kelly—Overseer, Penal Department ... .. 86 13 4		
„ Mrs. Emma S. Narracott—Sub-Matron, Geelong Industrial Schools 35 0 0		
„ Mrs. Henrietta Allen, Attendant, Industrial and Reformatory Schools 31 16 4		
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	£288 9 8	289
(2) Annual Allowance to Widow of Sergeant Kennedy (£48 19s. 6d.), murdered in the Wombat Ranges, in addition to her Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, equal to full pay of her deceased husband to 30th June, 1897 ... ..		49
(3) Annual Allowance to Constable McIntyre, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, rendered unfit for duty through exposure at the time of the Wombat Ranges murders by the Kelly gang ... ..		52

	£	£
DIVISION No. 20.		
(4) Annual Allowance, at the rate of £1 per week, to Michael Reardon for injuries received in the attack on the Kelly outlaws at Glenrowan ... ..	53	
(5) Annual Allowance to Constable Hugh Bracken, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, for special service rendered and injury received at the destruction of the Kelly gang at Glenrowan, £29 15s. 3d. ... ..	30	
(6) Annual Allowance to Senior Constable Alexander, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, who was injured in the execution of his duty, £11 14s. 1d. ...	12	
(7) Annual Allowance to Constable Albert Ernest Vizard, who was injured in the execution of his duty, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, £20 13s. 9d. ...	21	
No. 2. Allowance to Visitor at the City Court and Lock-ups ...	100	
No. 3. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry ... ..	1,500	
No. 4. To meet deficiency in the Police Superannuation Fund (in accordance with section 34 of the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890)	25,000	
No. 5. Allowance to Instructor of the Blind, and for the purchase of Books ... ..	170	
No. 6. Imperial Institute—Management of Victorian Court, Collection and Transport of Samples, and other expenses ... ..	250	
No. 7. New Hebrides Steam Communication ... ..	800	
Total Division No. 20 ... ..	28,326	
The sum of ... ..	...	20,186

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

## II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 21.		
		EDUCATION.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Public Instruction ... ..	668	
		Allowance to Secretary ... ..	82	
			750	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	E.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
		<i>Educational Class.</i>		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Inspector-General and Examiner ... ..	700	585
		Allowance to Inspector-General and Examiner ... ..	...	23
1		Senior Inspector ... ..	650	585
6		Inspectors—First Grade ... ..	600	3,276
14		Inspectors—Second Grade ... ..	500	5,841
1		Lecturer ... ..	380	354
23				10,664
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Accountant ... ..	...	649
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk... ..	...	414
1	3	Clerk ... ..	...	384
11	4	Clerks ... ..	...	3,030
38	5	Clerks ... ..	...	7,038
52				11,515
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
5	1	Truant Officers ... ..	180	846
11	2	Truant Officers ... ..	168	1,730
	3	Truant Officers ... ..	156	
1		Senior Messenger* ... ..	132	120
1		Messenger ... ..	96	72
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	72
19				2,840
95				25,769
		Total Division No. 21 ... ..		19,325
		The sum of ... ..		19,325

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 22.		
EDUCATION.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.— <i>Instruction.</i>		
General—		
Teachers ... ..	£323,910	
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69 ... ..	74	323,984
Teachers' Payments on Results—Regulation No. III. ...	116,073	
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69 .. ..	31	116,104
Inspector of Drawing ... ..		372
		440,460
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Travelling Expenses { Inspectors ... ..	£2,970	
{ Teachers ... ..	1,900	7,370
{ Children to State Schools ... ..	2,500	
Books and School Requisites ... ..		3,500
Stores, including Incidentals ... ..		1,000
Maintenance Expenses of Schools—Allowance to Teachers for		30,500
Exhibitions granted by the Minister under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.		1,900
Boards of Advice—Elections ... ..		70
Compulsory Clause—Travelling Allowances to Truant Officers		650
Allowance to Cadet Officers ... ..		350
		45,340
Subdivision No. 3.		
BUILDINGS.		
Rents ... ..		1,650
Expenditure on School Buildings under direction of Boards of Advice		2,300
		3,950
Total Division No. 22 ... ..		489,750
The sum of ... ..		367,310
DIVISION No. 23.		
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.		
Addition to Endowment of £9,000 under Act 16 Vict. No. 34. (Subject to deduction of an amount equal to the University fees of not more than eight students to whom have been granted exhibitions under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.) ... ..		3,250
The sum of ... ..		2,437



	£	£
DIVISION No. 24.		
TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.		
To be paid in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council—		
For Maintenance	12,000	
The sum of	...	9,000
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DIVISION No. 25.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or to their Widows or Children—( <i>Inalterable</i> ):—		
(1) Annual Allowances to Officers who retired from the service prior to the coming into operation of Act No. 710	£2,591 4 10	
(2) To pay pensions, computed on the basis of Sec. 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Officers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who are not entitled to pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1133	724 8 5	
	£3,315 13 3	
Total Division No. 25	3,316	
The sum of	...	2,487

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 26.		
		SUPREME COURT.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		( <i>Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.</i> )		
1*		Chief Clerk—Under the <i>Supreme Court Act</i> 1890	1,020	
1*		Assistant Chief Clerk ... ..	372	
4		Judges' Associates ... ..	1,072	
6			2,464	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	4	Judges' Associates ... ..	651	
8		Total SALARIES ... ..	3,115	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses of their Honours the Judges ... ..	800	
		Total Division No. 26 ... ..	3,915	
		The sum of ... ..	...	2,882
		DIVISION No. 27.		
		LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Secretary to the Law Department ... ..	668	
		Allowance to Secretary ... ..	82	
			750	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	L.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Parliamentary Draftsman ... ..	1300	1,105
1		Assistant in Attorney-General's Office ... ..	285	174
2				1,279
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..		447
1	3	Collector of Imposts under Act No. 1140 ... ..		546
1	3	Clerk ... ..		447
1	4	Clerk ... ..		326
8	5	Clerks ... ..		1,504
12				3,270

\* Professional.

Number.	Classification		Maximum.	£	£
<b>DIVISION NO. 27.</b>					
Subdivision No. 4.					
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
1		Caretaker and Senior Messenger...	£	130	
1		Messenger ... ..	120	116	
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	60	
3				306	
Subdivision No. 5.					
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>					
5		Prosecutors for the Queen, to act throughout Victoria—One at £1,260, one at £860, two at £660, and one at £600 ... ..		3,562	
1		Government Analytical Chemist * ... ..		546	
6				4,108	
24		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		9,713	
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.					
		Professional Assistance, including Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings ... ..		2,300	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses ... ..		800	
		For Defence of Persons without means charged with Capital Crimes, and Aborigines charged with Indictable Offences ... ..		150	
		Victorian Law Reports, Law Times, &c., including Books and Reports for Library ... ..		650	
				3,900	
		<b>Total Division No. 27</b> ... ..		13,613	
		The sum of ... ..		...	9,978
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<b>DIVISION NO. 28.</b>					
<b>CROWN SOLICITOR.</b>					
<b>SALARIES.</b>					
Subdivision No. 1.					
<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>					
1	L.	Crown Solicitor ... ..	1000	880	
Subdivision No. 2.					
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
3	3	Clerks ... ..		1,307	
3	4	Clerks ... ..		919	
10	5	Clerks ... ..		1,880	
16				4,106	
		Deduct—to be repaid by Railway Department ... ..		564	
				3,542	
Subdivision No. 3.					
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
2		Type-writers ... ..	144	240	
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144	
4				384	
21		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		4,806	
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.					
		Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses ... ..		325	
		<b>Total Division No. 28</b> ... ..		5,131	
		The sum of ... ..		...	3,825

\* Finds his own Assistant and Chemicals.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 29.		
		PROTHONOTARY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Prothonotary ... ..	528	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	651	
4	5	Clerks ... ..	734	
7			1,913	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	
8		Total SALARIES ... ..	1,985	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Stores and Incidental Expenses ... ..	30	
		Total Division No. 29 ... ..	2,015	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,507
		DIVISION No. 30.		
		MASTER IN EQUITY AND LUNACY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Chief Clerk and Officer for Probate Duty ...	653	
1	2	Second Clerk and Registrar of Probates and Administrations ... ..	546	
1	3	Clerk ... ..	447	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	628	
7	5	Clerks ... ..	1,290	
12			3,564	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Messenger ... ..	120	
13		Total SALARIES ... ..	3,683	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Expenses connected with the Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons	500	
		Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, including Guarantee Premium of Master-in-Equity under Section 255 of Act No. 1142 ...	75	
			575	
		Total Division No. 30 ... ..	4,258	
		The sum of ... ..	...	3,183

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 31.		
		REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1	x	Commissioner of Titles ... ..		1,250
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
2		Grade. 2 Examiners (one acting as Chief Examiner)	£ 650	1,170
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	...	546
1	2	Clerk * ... ..	...	546
3	3	Clerks † ... ..	...	1,339
12	4	Clerks ... ..	...	3,436
1	5	Clerk and Compositor ... ..	...	188
48	5	Clerks ... ..	...	8,810
66				14,865
		SURVEY BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 4.	Maxi- mum.	
	S.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	£	
1		Surveyor and Chief Draughtsman	600	546
7		Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	200	1,235
8				1,781
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	3	Draughtsmen ... ..	...	828
		Grade.	Maxi- mum.	
1	4 f	1 Draughtsman ... ..	£ 300	279
1	4 f	2 Draughtsman ... ..	270	252
4	4 f	3 Draughtsmen ... ..	240	903
2	5	Draughtsmen ... ..	...	353
2	5	Clerks ... ..	...	376
12				2,991
		Subdivision No. 6.	Maxi- mum.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	£	
1		Clerk ... ..	204	192
1		Senior Messenger * (and Caretaker)	150	156
6		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	408
1		Labourer ... ..	120	86
9				842
98		Total SALARIES ... ..		22,899

\* Deputy Registrar-General, and Assistant Registrar of Titles. —† Two Assistant Registrars of Titles.

							£	£
DIVISION No. 31.								
Subdivision No. 7.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Purchase of Parchment for Certificates of Titles, Check Surveys and Lithographing, and Works of Reference for Library ... ..							170	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Stores, including Cases for Register Book; Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon subpoena ... ..							500	
							670	
Total Division No. 31 ... ..							23,569	
The sum of ... ..							...	17,666
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DIVISION No. 32.								
PATENTS.								
SALARIES.								
Subdivision No. 1.							Maxi- mum.	
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.							£	
2	G.	Examiners of Patents ... ..	400	679				
Subdivision No. 2.								
CLERICAL DIVISION.								
1	3	Senior Examiner ... ..	414					
1	4	Clerk ... ..	276					
3	5	Clerks ... ..	564					
5				1,254				
Subdivision No. 3.							Maxi- mum.	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.							£	
1		Messenger* ... ..	120	120				
1		Type-writer ... ..	144	120				
2				240				
9								
Total SALARIES ... ..							2,173	
Subdivision No. 4.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses, including Photo-lithography, &c., for Indexes, Payment of Experts, Books for Library, and Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon subpoena ... ..							200	
Total Division No. 32 ... ..							2,373	
The sum of ... ..							...	1,779

\* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 33.				
SHERIFF.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Sheriff ... ..	546	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	558	
1	5	Clerk and Bailiff ... ..	188	
3	5	Clerks ... ..	556	
7			1,848	
		Deduct—to be repaid by Supreme Court Library Committee ... ..	188	
			1,660	
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
				Maxi- mum.
			£	
1		Superintendent, Law Courts (acting)* ...	174	156
4		Court Keepers, Criers, and Messengers ...	132	524
1		Attendant at Law Courts ...	120	112
3		Labourers ... ..	120	264
5		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	360
2		Bailiffs ... ..	204	365
16			1,781	
23			3,441	
Total SALARIES ... ..			3,441	
Subdivision No. 3.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Allowances to Witnesses at the Supreme Court Sittings for the hearing of Criminal Trials ... ..	2,750	
		Fees to Jurors ... ..	4,650	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Wages of Charwomen ... ..	1,300	
		Refund to Bailiffs of Guarantee Premiums when their gross receipts do not amount to £65 ... ..	200	
			8,900	
		Total Division No. 33 ... ..	12,341	
		The sum of ... ..	...	7,908
DIVISION No. 33A.				
MISCELLANEOUS.				
		To refund to the Carlton Brewery Company Limited amount of duty paid on transfer of property ... ..	2,333	
		The sum of ... ..	...	2,333
<p>* Acting Superintendent, Law Courts, Melbourne, and Court Keeper, Geelong, have quarters, fuel, light, and water. Court Keeper, Ballarat, fuel, light, and water.</p>				

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

#### IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 34.</b>		
		<b>COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
5	x	Judges at £1,500 ... ..	6,375	
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
				<b>Maximum.</b>
			<b>£</b>	
1		Messenger and Crier, Insolvent Court, Melbourne ... ..	120	120
1		Courtkeeper, Crier, and Messenger, County Court, Melbourne ... ..	156	156
1		Messenger, City Police Court, Melbourne *	120	120
3			396	
8		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..	<b>6,771</b>	
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Assessors' and Jurors' Fees ... ..	350	
		Allowances to Witnesses at General and Petty Sessions, and at Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries, in accordance with the Regulations of the Governor in Council ... ..	1,900	
		Allowances to Acting Clerks of Courts at various places who are not under the provisions of the <i>Public Service Act</i> 1890 ... ..	1,250	
		Office-keepers' Allowances ... ..	1,600	
		Travelling Expenses of County Court Judges (to be fixed by Order in Council from time to time); and, where necessary, payments for Periodical Tickets ... ..	950	
		Travelling Expenses of Clerks of Courts, including the Travelling Expenses of those who act at more than one Court ... ..	2,500	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses for Courts in Melbourne and throughout the colony ... ..	900	
			9,450	
		<b>Total Division No. 34</b> ... ..	<b>16,221</b>	
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	<b>...</b>	<b>11,528</b>

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.



Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 35.		
		POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
	L.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maximum.	
			£	
1		Police Magistrate, Metropolitan ...	950	836
2		Police Magistrates, First Grade ...	750	1,335
14		Police Magistrates, Second Grade ...	650	8,084
17				10,255
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses, including payments for Periodical Tickets where necessary ...		3,250
		Total Division No. 35 ...		13,505
		The sum of ...		10,126
		DIVISION No. 36.		
		CLERKS OF COURTS.		
		SALARIES.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Clerk of the Peace and Registrar of the County Court, Melbourne ...		447
2	3	Clerks ...		854
20	4	Clerks ...		6,037
66	5	Clerks ...		12,341
89		Total Division No. 36 ...		19,679
		The sum of ...		14,759
		DIVISION No. 37.		
		CORONERS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.	Maximum.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	£	
1		Labourer, City Morgue ...	120	86

	£	£
DIVISION No. 37.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
No. 1. Coroners' Commuted Allowances, subject to approval by the Governor in Council ... ..	1,170	
No. 2. Surgeons—Remuneration to, for each <i>post-mortem</i> examination by dissection, £2 2s.; and £1 1s. for attendance, &c., at each Inquest or Inquiry and Adjournment, with Travelling Expenses at the rate of 1s. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended Inquest or Inquiry, one way only, subject to the payment of special fees in exceptional cases under the authority of the Minister ... ..	3,500	
No. 3. Jurors' Fees ... ..	725	
No. 4. Payments in respect to Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries; Stores, Fuel, Light, &c.; Travelling Expenses (actual) of Justices of the Peace when holding Inquests or Magisterial Inquiries; and Incidental Expenses ... ..	400	
	5,795	
Total Division No. 37 ... ..	5,881	
The sum of ... ..	...	4,359

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### V.—TREASURER.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION NO. 38.				£	£
		TREASURY.					
		SALARIES.					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		FIRST DIVISION.					
1		Under-Treasurer	...	...	...	750	
		Subdivision No. 2.					
		CLERICAL DIVISION.					
2	{ 1	Receiver and Paymaster, Melbourne	...	...	...	546	
	{ 1	Accountant to the Treasury	...	...	...	524	
1	{ 2	Chief Clerk	...	...	...	447	
1	{ 2	Acting Assistant Accountant	...	...	...	447	
8	{ 3	Clerks and Receivers and Paymasters, including one Secretary to the Tender Board, one Inspecting Officer (Act No. 1323), and one Paying Officer of Pensions	...	...	...	3,538	
27	{ 4		...	...	...	7,926	
47	{ 5		...	...	...	8,594	
86						22,022	
		Subdivision No. 3.					
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
					Maximum.		
					£		
1		Despatch Clerk	...	...	...	156	188
1		Messenger	...	...	...	120	120
2		Junior Messengers	...	...	...	72	144
4							452
91		Total SALARIES	...	...	...		23,224
		Subdivision No. 4.					
		Allowances to Collectors of Imposts (unclassified), &c.	...	...	...		170
		Allowances to 5th Class Receivers and Paymasters who have not reached maximum of class	...	...	...		90
		Temporary Assistance, &c.	...	...	...		50
		Office-cleaners	...	...	...		570
		Travelling Expenses	...	...	...		700
		Stores, Stationery, Fuel, Light, and Water, and Incidental Expenses	...	...	...		800
							2,380
		Total Division No. 38	...	...	...		25,604
		The sum of	...	...	...		19,191

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 39.				
INCOME TAX OFFICE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
1	x	Commissioner of Taxes (see Master-in-Equity). Allowance to Commissioner... ..	255	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	1	Deputy Commissioner of Taxes ... ..	546	
1	3	Chief Clerk ... ..	447	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	447	
3	4	Clerks ... ..	862	
39	5	Clerks ... ..	6,577	
45			8,879	
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maximum	
5		Assistants ... ..	£ 174	680
2		Junior Assistants ... ..	72	120
7				800
53		Total SALARIES ... ..		9,934
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Stationery, Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts as Witnesses and Clerical Assistance ... ..				
				400
Total Division No. 39 ... ..				10,334
The sum of ... ..				7,674

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 40.				
CURATOR OF ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
1		Curator—Allowance (in addition to commission) not to exceed ... ..	50	
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Chief Clerk ... ..	303	
1	4	Accountant ... ..	279	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	247	
3	5	Clerks ... ..	536	
6			1,365	
7		Total SALARIES, &c. ... ..	1,415	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	80	
		Total Division No. 40 ... ..	1,495	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,130
DIVISION No. 41.				
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	1	Government Printer ... ..	668	
1	2	Superintendent ... ..	414	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	275	
1	3	Printing Overseer ... ..	263	
1	4 f	Printing Sub-Overseer ... ..	232	
1	5	Store Clerk ... ..	188	
1	4 f	Computer ... ..	246	
1	3	Stamp Printing Overseer ... ..	447	
1	4 f	Stamp Printing Sub-Overseer ... ..	252	
1	4	Clerk and Ticket Printer ... ..	279	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	326	
10	5	Clerks ... ..	1,822	
1	4 f	Type Storeman ... ..	215	
1	4 f	Warehouseman ... ..	215	
		Grade.		
1	4 f	1st Reader ... ..	232	
2	4 f	3rd Readers ... ..	429	
2	4 f	4th Readers ... ..	416	
3	4 f	Foremen of Compositors ... ..	621	
		Grade.		
9	5 f	1st Compositors ... ..	1,692	
4	5 f	2nd Compositors (one to 19th Sept., 1897) ... ..	558	
2	5 f	3rd Compositors (one to 28th Feb., 1898) ... ..	265	
46			10,055	

Number.	Classification			£	£	
		DIVISION No. 41.				
		Subdivision No. 2.				
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
				Grade.		
8		2nd	Compositors ... ..			1,377
13		3rd	Compositors ... ..			2,053
				Maximum.		
				£		
1			Bookbinders—Overseer ... ..	360		335
1			Bookbinders—Sub-Overseer ... ..	288		268
		Grade.				
4		1st	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	204		768
6		2nd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	186		1,050
5		3rd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	168		790
2			Bookbinders' Assistants ... ..	144		288
		Grade.				
6		1st	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	72		440
3		2nd	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	66		198
1		3rd	Sewer and Book Folder (including Stamp Perforator) ... ..	60		60
2		4th	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	54		108
1			Printers—Foreman ... ..	300		279
		Grade.				
1		1st	Printers' Machineman ... ..	204		198
3		2nd	Printers' Machinemen ... ..	186		525
5		3rd	Printers' Machinemen ... ..	168		790
1			Machine Assistant, Senior ... ..	132		132
6			Machine Assistants ... ..	108		648
1			Paper Wetter ... ..	132		132
1			Roller Caster ... ..	144		144
1			Electrotyper ... ..	234		220
1			Carpenter ... ..	156		157
3			Warehouseman's Assistants ... ..	150		450

Number.	Classification					£	£
DIVISION No. 41.							
					Maxi- mum.		
						£	
1		Senior Messenger	...	...	...	156	156
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	...	72	72
1		Foreman Labourer	...	...	...	132	132
3		Labourers	...	...	...	120	280
1		Engineer's Assistant	...	...	...	192	181
1		Printers' Lithographic Foreman	...	...	...	288	268
1		Stone-grinder and Assistant Lithographic Printer	...	...	...	132	132
2		Lithographic Printers	...	...	...	192	339
87							12,970
133		Total SALARIES	...	...	...		23,025
Subdivision No. 3.							
		Printers—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing of Electoral Rolls and Printing under Contract	...	...	...		10,000
		Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, and Binding under Contract	...	...	...		2,000
1	x	Stationer	...	...	...		188
							12,188
Subdivision No. 4.							
		Paper and Parchment	...	...	...		6,742
		Water-marked and other Paper for Stamp Printing	...	...	...		1,096
		Type, &c.	...	...	...		150
		Bookbinders' Materials, Stores, and Printing Ink	...	...	...		1,500
		Machinery and Repairs	...	...	...		400
		Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...		836
		Incidental Expenses, including Police Attendance	...	...	...		100
		Photo. Apparatus, &c.	...	...	...		50
							10,874
		Total Division No. 41	...	...	...		46,087
		The sum of	...	...	...		29,804
DIVISION No. 42.							
		ADVERTISING	...	...	...		5,000
		The sum of	...	...	...		3,800
DIVISION No. 43.							
		GRANT TO CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS (including Salary of Acting Inspector of Public Charities, £279)	...	...	...		100,000
		The sum of	...	...	...		75,000

	£	£
DIVISION No. 44.		
TRANSPORT, SAMPLES, AND MARINE INSURANCE ...	2,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,500
DIVISION No. 45.		
UNFORESEEN AND ACCIDENTAL EXPENDITURE ...	2,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,000
DIVISION No. 46.		
Allowance to Railway Department for Carriage of Victorian Coal ...	10,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	7,000
DIVISION No. 47.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Towards Expenses of the visit to England of the Hon. the Treasurer in connexion with the celebration of the 60th Anniversary of Her Majesty's reign ... ..	1,000	
Pension to Hugh Dougherty, late Sergeant-Instructor of the Local Forces, 3s. 9d. per diem ... ..	£68 12 6	
Additional Pension for further service as Attendant at the Law Courts ... ..	10 14 6	
	£79 7 0	80
Total Division No. 47 ... ..	1,080	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,060

Mr. Wilkins reported from the Committee of Supply the details of a certain resolution, the full amount of which has been already reported to the House, and which were read and are as follow:—

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
ADVANCE TO TREASURER.		
To enable the Treasurer to make advances to Public Officers and others	150,000	

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



*Resolved*—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

### VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 49.		
		DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.		
		SALARIES.		
		ADMINISTRATIVE AND PAY BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary ... ..	792	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Paymaster Naval and Military Forces ...	546	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	514	
2	5	Clerks ... ..	313	
5			1,373	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	63	
7		Total SALARIES Administrative and Pay Branch	2,228	
		ORDNANCE AND MILITARY STORES BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Controller of Stores ... ..	546	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	198	
4	5	Clerks ... ..	697	
6			1,441	
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
				Maxi- mum.
			£	
1		Armourer ... ..	222	194
1		Carpenter and Wheeler ... ..	150	126
1		Saddle and Harness Maker ... ..	132	132
7		Foreman,* Store Assistants and Labourers, from £6 10s. to £11 10s. per month ...	138	818
1		Messenger, Junior ... ..	72	72
1		Blacksmith ... ..	150	150
1		Assistant Armourer ... ..	150	150
1		Caretaker, Langwarrin Camp ... ..	156	156
14			1,798	
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Ordnance Fitter and Inspector Ordnance Machinery	414	
21		Total SALARIES Ordnance and Military Stores Branch	3,653	
		Subdivision No. 7.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Temporary Assistance ... ..	240	
		Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals ... ..	250	
			490	
		Total Administrative, Pay, and Stores Branches	6,371	
		Subdivision No. 8.		
		CADET CORPS.		
		SALARIES.		
1		Officer Commanding † ... ..	386	
1		Staff Officer ‡ ... ..	320	
2			706	

\* With quarters, fuel, and light.—† With allowance for quarters, £60 to Officer Commanding Cadets.—‡ With quarters.

		£	£
DIVISION No. 49.			
Subdivision No. 9.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officer Commanding	...	60
	Travelling Expenses	...	80
	Incidentals and Band Allowance	...	50
	Free Ammunition	...	700
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	20
	Effective Allowance	...	500
			1,410
Total Cadet Corps		...	2,116
Subdivision No. 10.			
MOUNTED RIFLES.			
SALARIES.			
1	Officer Commanding *	...	560
1	Adjutant †	...	255
7	Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers, at from £127 to £150 per annum ‡	...	994
9			1,809
Subdivision No. 11.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	40
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officer Commanding	...	70
	Lodging Allowance—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers §	...	161
	Forage Officers	...	150
	Forage and Horse Hire—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	450
	Travelling Expenses—Officers, Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	480
	Capitation and Effective Allowance	...	1,500
	Free Ammunition	...	1,070
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	100
	Hire of Rooms for Storage of Arms, &c.	...	110
	Corps Expenses—Inspection by Major-General Commanding	...	135
	Bridles	...	145
	Incidentals	...	130
			4,541
Total Mounted Rifles		...	6,350
Subdivision No. 12.			
VICTORIAN RANGERS.			
SALARIES.			
1	Officer Commanding ¶	...	475
1	Adjutant †	...	295
8	Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers, at from £127 to £150 per annum ‡	...	1,178
10			1,948
Subdivision No. 13.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officer Commanding	...	65
	Lodging Allowance—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers §	...	184
	Forage Officer Commanding and Adjutant **	...	100
	Free Ammunition	...	1,140
	Capitation and Effective Allowance	...	1,450
	Travelling Expenses	...	500
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	40
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	100
	Incidentals	...	100
	Cleaning, Lighting, and Rent of Drill Rooms	...	420
			4,099
Total Victorian Rangers		...	6,047

\* With allowance for quarters, £70 to Officer Commanding Mounted Rifles.—† With quarters.—‡ With allowance in lieu of quarters, £23 per annum. Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—§ Included in salary, 1896-7.—|| Forage allowed for two horses to Officer Commanding and one to Adjutant, at £50 per annum each.—¶ With allowance for quarters, £65 to Officer Commanding Victorian Rangers.—\*\* Forage allowed for one horse each to Officer Commanding and Adjutant, at £50 per annum.

## DIVISION No. 49.

## Subdivision No. 14.

## RIFLE CLUBS.

Free Ammunition	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	750
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## Subdivision No. 15.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Annual Grant, Victorian Rifle Association, including Prizes for Rifle Clubs	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	500
Queen's Prize, Victorian Rifle Association	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	25
To replenish the Ammunition Fund the Loss on Supply of Free Ammunition issued to the Permanent and Militia Forces, and on that sold at reduced rates to Permanent and Militia Forces, Rifle Clubs, Victorian Rangers, Victorian Mounted Rifles, and Victorian Rifle Association	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	4,000
Annual Allowance to Lieut.-Col. W. H. Snee, injured on duty (in addition to pension of £240 per annum)	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	60
Compensation as recommended by Boards of Inquiry to members injured on duty	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	75
Expenses in connexion with despatch of Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Armourer to England for courses of Instruction	...	...	...	...	...	...	£	420
							£	5,080

## Subdivision No. 16.

## NAVAL FORCES.

Number.	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.	Maxi- mum. *	£	
			£	£
1	Naval Commandant† to 12th January, 1898	...	...	659
1	Commander (one at £600† to 23rd August, 1897, one at £500 from 24th August, 1897)	...	...	481
4	Lieutenants (one to 23rd August, 1897)	...	350	1,000
1	Staff-Surgeon†	...	150	150
1	Fleet Engineer (in lieu of Chief Engineer)	...	450	414
3	Engineers	...	240	837
2	Chief Gunners...	...	210	452
5	Gunners, 2nd Class	...	160	940
1	Carpenter, 2nd Class	...	160	150
1	Assistant Paymaster or Clerk	...	200	188
20				5,271

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† Under special engagement.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 49.		
	Subdivision No. 17.		
	SALARIES.—PETTY OFFICERS AND MEN.		
			Maximum. Per day.*
			s. d.
1	Chief Engine-room Artificer ... ..	10	0
7	Engine-room and Torpedo Artificers ... ..	8	6
2	Chief Leading Stokers ... ..	7	0
7	Leading Stokers ... ..	6	6
6	Stokers ... ..	5	6
10	Stokers ... ..	5	0
2	Chief Petty Officers ... ..	7	0
9	1st Class Petty Officers ... ..	6	6
9	Leading Seamen ... ..	5	6
55	Able Seamen ... ..	5	0
4	Training Seamen ... ..	3	6
1	Chief Armourer ... ..	8	6
1	Painter ... ..	6	0
1	Carpenter's Mate ... ..	7	0
4	Carpenters and Joiners ... ..	5	6
1	Armourer's Mate ... ..	5	6
5	Cooks ... ..	5	0
1	Chief Ship's Steward ... ..	8	0
3	Officers' Stewards, 2nd Class ... ..	4	0
1	Naval Storekeeper ... ..	6	6
1	Officers' Messman ... ..	5	6
5	Officers' Stewards, 1st Class ... ..	5	0
1	Sick Berth Attendant ... ..	6	0
1	Sail-maker ... ..	6	0
138			
158	<i>Rating Allowances in addition to Pay.</i>		
	Torpedo Instructors ... ..	0	6
	Seamen Gunners ... ..	0	4
	Carpenters (tool money) ... ..	0	3
	Divers (allowance) ... ..	0	3
	Leading Signalmen ... ..	0	4
	Signalmen ... ..	0	2
	Buglers ... ..	0	3
	Blacksmith ... ..	1	0
		14,459	
	Total SALARIES, Naval Forces ... ..	19,730	
	Subdivision No. 18.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Provisions ... ..	2,600	
	Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	600	
	Repairs to Machinery and Hulls ... ..	100	
	Docking ... ..	300	
	Stores ... ..	1,350	
	Incidentals ... ..	200	
	Allowances to Officers and Men of Permanent Force and Naval Brigade undergoing special courses of instruction ... ..	150	
	Expenses in connexion with despatch of Officers to England for courses of instruction and on expiry of engagement ... ..	425	
		5,725	
	Total Naval Forces ... ..	25,455	

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.

DIVISION No. 49.						£	£	
Subdivision No. 19.								
NAVAL BRIGADE.								
<i>Permanent Staff.</i>								
Number.						Maxi- mum.*		
2	Gunnery Instructors†	...	...	...	...	£ 185	400	
Subdivision No. 20.								
<i>Naval Brigade Pay.</i>								
1	Lieut.-Commander or Lieutenant	...	...	...	...	} Stokers, £6 15s. per annum; A.B.'s, £3 6s.; and other ranks in proportion.		
3	Gunners	...	...	...	...			
6	Engineers	...	...	...	...			
5	1st Class Petty Officers	...	...	...	...			
6	2nd Class Petty Officers	...	...	...	...			
129	Able Seamen, Stokers, &c.	...	...	...	...			
150							1,240	
152	Total Naval Brigade Pay	...	...	...	...		1,640	
Subdivision No. 21.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Effective Allowance	...	...	...	...	...		300	
Stores	...	...	...	...	...		10	
Incidentals	...	...	...	...	...		100	
							410	
Total Naval Brigade							2,050	
Subdivision No. 22.								
PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.—HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF.								
SALARIES.								
1	Major-General Commanding †...	...	...	...	...		1,250	
1	Lieut.-Colonel—Assistant Adjutant-General †	...	...	...	...		546	
1	Lieut.-Colonel—Staff Officer for Artillery ‡	...	...	...	...		850	
1	Warrant Officer ‡ ...	...	...	...	...		180	
4							2,826	

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters.—‡ Under special engagement.

						£	£	
DIVISION No. 49.								
Subdivision No. 23.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Lodging Allowance—Warrant Officer ... ..						37		
Forage Allowances * ... ..						100		
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ... ..						400		
						537		
Total Head-Quarters Staff ... ..						3,363		
Subdivision No. 24.								
PERMANENT STAFF MILITIA.								
SALARIES.								
Number.						Maxi- mum.†	£	
2	Adjutants † ... ..	...	...	...	...	355	558	
2	Warrant Officers, Garrison and Brigade Sergeants-Major §	...	...	...	...	180	} 4,098	
6	Warrant Officers—1st Class § ¶	...	...	...	...	150		
19	Non-Commissioned Officers ¶	...	...	...	...	127		
29							4,656	
Subdivision No. 25.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Allowances in lieu of Quarters—Adjutants ... ..						60		
Lodging Allowances—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers ... ..						115		
Forage Allowances—Adjutants ** ... ..						100		
Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers ... ..						160		
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ... ..						240		
						675		
Total Permanent Staff Militia ... ..						5,331		
Subdivision No. 26.								
MILITARY STAFF CLERKS.								
SALARIES.								
1	Sergeant-Major ... ..	...	...	...	...	285	191	
5	Sergeants ... ..	...	...	...	...	160	673	
6							864	
Subdivision No. 27.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Uniform Allowances ... ..						36		
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ... ..						40		
						76		
Total Military Staff Clerks ... ..						940		

\* Forage allowed for one horse each to Assistant Adjutant-General and A.D.C. to Commandant at £50 per annum. —† Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations. —‡ With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof, £80. —§ Three Warrant Officers specially engaged at from £180 to £274 per annum. —|| With quarters, fuel, and light. —¶ With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof at £23 per annum. —\*\* Forage allowed for one horse each at £50 per annum.

Number.			£	£	
	DIVISION No. 49.				
	Subdivision No. 28.				
	VICTORIAN ARTILLERY.				
	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.				
				Maxi- mum*	
1	Major† ...	...	...	485	473
2	Captains † ...	...	...	355	751
6	Lieutenants† ...	...	...	256	1,354
1	Surgeon-Captain †	...	...	300	279
1	Adjutant † ...	...	...	256	294
11					3,151
	SALARIES.—WARRANT, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND MEN.				
				Per Day.	
4	Warrant Officers ...	...	...	7/6	18,161
4	Company Sergeants-Major and Staff Sergeants	...	...	6/3	
14	Sergeants ...	...	...	5/9	
16	Corporals ...	...	...	4/9	
13	Bombardiers ...	...	...	4/3	
5	Armament Artificers ...	...	...	9/6	
1	Blacksmith ...	...	...	9/6	
1	Engine-driver ...	...	...	7/6	
1	Coxswain ...	...	...	7/6	
2	Deck-hands ...	...	...	6/-	
1	Fireman ...	...	...	6/-	
4	Trumpeters ...	...	...	3/6	
203	Gunners ...	...	...	3/6	
8	Boys ...	...	...	2/-	
277	Total SALARIES, Victorian Artillery			...	21,312
288					
	Subdivision No. 29.				
	CONTINGENCIES.				
	Working Pay ...	...	...	...	50
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officers ...	...	...	...	290
	Lodging Allowances—Non-commissioned Officers, &c. ...	...	...	...	450
	Travelling Expenses ...	...	...	...	150
	Forage ...	...	...	...	60
	Fuel, Light, and Water ...	...	...	...	880
	Special Duty Pay ...	...	...	...	900
	Incidentals ...	...	...	...	500
	Clothing ...	...	...	...	1,250
	Rations ...	...	...	...	3,800
	Stores ...	...	...	...	820
					9,150
	Deduct amount to be repaid by Department of Public Health			...	100
					9,050
	Total Victorian Artillery ...			...	30,362

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof—Major at £70, Captains at £65 Lieutenants and Adjutant at £55 per annum.—‡ Under special agreement.

Number.							£	£
	DIVISION No. 49.							
							Maxi- mum.*	
	Subdivision No. 30.						£	
	PERMANENT SECTION VICTORIAN ENGINEERS.							
	SALARIES.							
1	Captain †† ...	...	...	...	...	360	319	
1	Lieutenant § ...	...	...	...	...	295	261	
3	Warrant Officers ...	...	...	...	...	240	614	
5								1,194
						Per Day.		
1	Sergeant ...	...	...	...	...	7/6	} 3,457	
3	Corporals ...	...	...	...	...	7/-		
3	Engine-drivers ...	...	...	...	...	8/3		
1	Coxswain ...	...	...	...	...	8/3		
18	Sappers ...	...	...	...	...	7/-		
26	Total SALARIES Permanent Section Victorian Engineers							4,651
31								
	Subdivision No. 31.							
	CONTINGENCIES.							
	Allowance—Staff Officer, at £35 per annum ...	...	...	...	...		33	
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officers ...	...	...	...	...		55	
	Lodging Allowance, Non-commissioned Officers, &c. ...	...	...	...	...		42	
	Field and Travelling Expenses ...	...	...	...	...		50	
	Clothing ...	...	...	...	...		150	
	Fuel, Stores, &c. ...	...	...	...	...		500	
								830
	Total Permanent Section Victorian Engineers						...	5,481
	Subdivision No. 32.							
	MILITIA PAY.							
	<i>Head-Quarters Staff.</i>						Maximum.	
1	Colonel ...	...	...	...	...	} Privates £6 5s. per an- num, and ranks in proportion.		
2	Lieutenant-Colonels ...	...	...	...	...			
1	Major ...	...	...	...	...			
1	Brigade-Surgeon ...	...	...	...	...			
1	Inspecting Veterinary Surgeon ...	...	...	...	...			
6								

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters.—‡ With allowance whilst acting as Staff Officer for Engineers, £35 per annum.—§ With allowance in lieu of quarters, £55 per annum.



Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 49.		
	<i>Victorian Horse Artillery.</i>		Maximum.
1	Major ... ..		
1	Lieutenant ... ..		
1	Battery Quartermaster-Sergeant ..		
3	Sergeants ... ..		
3	Corporals ... ..		
12	Drivers ... ..		
1	Trumpeter ... ..		
24	Gunners ... ..		
46			
	<i>Field Artillery (Three Batteries).</i>		
1	Lieutenant-Colonel ... ..		
1	Brigade-Major ... ..		
3	Majors ... ..		
3	Captains ... ..		
9	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant ..		
3	Battery Quartermaster-Sergeants ...		
18	Sergeants ... ..		
3	Sergeant-Farriers ... ..		
3	Sergeant-Collarmakers ... ..		
18	Corporals ... ..		
75	Drivers ... ..		
3	Armourer-Sergeants ... ..		
3	Trumpeters ... ..		
125	Gunners ... ..		
269			
	<i>Garrison Artillery (Seven Batteries).</i>		
1	Lieutenant-Colonel ... ..		
4	Majors ... ..		
8	Captains ... ..		
16	Lieutenants ... ..		
33	Sergeants ... ..		
33	Corporals ... ..		
6	Armament Artificers ... ..		
8	Trumpeters ... ..		
566	Gunners ... ..		
675			
	<i>Victorian Engineers, Submarine Mining Company.</i>		
1	Major ... ..		
3	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Company Sergeant-Major ... ..		
5	Sergeants ... ..		
4	Corporals ... ..		
1	Bugler ... ..		
50	Sappers (Class A) ... ..		
19	Sappers ... ..		
84			
	<i>Queenscliff Section.</i>		
12	Sappers ... ..		

Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.

Number.		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 49.</b>			
<i>Victorian Engineers, Field Company.</i>			
		Maximum.	
1	Captain ... ..		
3	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Company Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..		
3	Sergeants ... ..		
7	Corporals ... ..		
9	Drivers ... ..		
1	Bugler ... ..		
50	Sappers ... ..		
75			
<i>Infantry.</i>			
1	Colonel ... ..		
4	Lieutenant-Colonels ... ..		
4	Majors ... ..		
16	Captains ... ..		
48	Lieutenants ... ..		
4	Adjutants ... ..		
4	Quartermasters ... ..		
4	Bandmasters ... ..		
4	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeants ... ..		
4	Staff-Sergeants ... ..		
16	Colour-Sergeants ... ..		
64	Sergeants ... ..		
64	Corporals ... ..		
4	Armourer-Sergeants ... ..		
4	Assistant Armourers ... ..		
32	Buglers ... ..		
1448	Privates ... ..		
1725			
<i>Ambulance Corps.</i>			
1	Surgeon-Major ... ..		
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..		
1	Staff-Sergeant ... ..		
2	Sergeants ... ..		
3	Corporals ... ..		
32	Privates ... ..		
40			
<i>Army Service Corps.</i>			
1	Major ... ..		
1	Captain ... ..		
3	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Company Sergeant-Major ... ..		
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..		
4	Sergeants ... ..		
5	Corporals ... ..		
23	Privates ... ..		
39			
<i>Medical Staff.</i>			
5	Surgeons-Major ... ..	Maximum.	
10	Surgeons ... ..	Militia Rates as per Regulations.	
15			
2986	Total Militia Pay	... ..	18,800

Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 49.		
Subdivision No. 33.		
MILITIA CONTINGENCIES.		
Effective Allowance ... ..	6,000	
Forage Allowance and Horsing Guns ... ..	3,200	
Allowances—Bands ... ..	200	
Incidentals ... ..	1,000	
	10,400	
Total Militia ... ..	29,200	
Subdivision No. 34.		
ORDNANCE BRANCH.		
Warlike Stores ... ..	1,500	
Greatcoats, Accoutrements, Helmets, &c. ... ..	750	
Railway Transport ... ..	950	
Heavy-gun Ammunition, Ordnance Stores, &c. ... ..	4,000	
	7,200	
Subdivision No. 35.		
ENCAMPMENTS.		
Expenses in connexion with Easter Encampment ... ..	400	
SPECIAL CAMP OF INSTRUCTION.		
Submarine Mining Company ... ..	300	
	700	
Subdivision No. 36.		
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at Thursday Island ... ..	2,100	
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at King George's Sound ... ..	1,300	
	3,400	
Total Division No. 49 ... ..	140,196	
The sum of ... ..	...	98,046

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 50.		
		SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Lands and Registrar of Land Tax ...	712	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	S.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Surveyor-General ... ..	700	546
2		Senior Assistant Surveyors ... ..	385	717
5		Assistant Surveyors ... ..	360	1,464
1		Draughtsman ... ..	360	335
6		Junior Draughtsmen (including arrears) ... ..	200	1,042
15				4,104
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..		447
4	3	Clerks ... ..		1,753
23	4	Clerks ... ..		6,314
59	5	Clerks ... ..		10,771
1	2	Chief Draughtsman ... ..		447
1	3	Draughtsman ... ..		447
		Grade.		
16	4f }	1 Four Draughtsmen ... ..		1,116
		2 Three Draughtsmen ... ..		754
		3 Nine Draughtsmen ... ..		2,032
1	4	Lithographer ... ..		279
1	4	Photographer ... ..		326
2	5	Lithographers ... ..		376
16	5	Draughtsmen ... ..		3,008
125				28,070

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 50.				
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	Engraver ... ..	...	360	335
1	Typewriter ... ..	...	78	78
1	Lithographic Printer ... ..	...	240	192
3	Printers ... ..	...	192	482
2	Assistant Printers ... ..	...	120	231
1	Stone Polisher ... ..	...	132	132
1	Assistant Photographer and Printer ... ..	...	216	170
1	Engineer ... ..	...	216	170
10	Crown Land Bailiffs ... ..	...	204	1,593
1	Senior Messenger ... ..	...	132	126
1	Messenger ... ..	...	96	72
1	Junior Messenger ... ..	...	72	72
1	Plan Mounter ... ..	...	166	150
1	Housekeeper ... ..	...	48	7
26				3,810
167				36,696
Subdivision No. 5.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
	Office Cleaners ... ..	...		800
	Equipment Allowances (Surveyors) ... ..	...		650
	Forage Allowances (Crown Lands Bailiffs) ... ..	...		880
	Wages of Labourers in Survey Parties ... ..	...		2,998
	Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	...		130
	Stores, Stationery, Incidental Expenses, Engrossing, and Diagram ... ..	...		1,350
	Drawing by Contract ... ..	...		100
	Photographic Stores ... ..	...		1,300
	Travelling Expenses ... ..	...		50
	Commission on Sales of Land ... ..	...		100
	Claims under the Land Act ... ..	...		200
	Police Rewards ... ..	...		...
	Allowances to Crown Lands Bailiffs and other Officers not connected with Lands Department ... ..	...		100
				8,658
Subdivision No. 6.				
	Surveys by Contract, Surveys of Standard Lines, Feature Surveys, and Road Surveys ... ..	...		2,000
	Surveys under the <i>Settlement on Lands Act 1893</i> ... ..	...		100
				2,100
	Total Division No. 50 ... ..	...		47,454
	The sum of ... ..	...		35,174

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 51.		
		PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2		Gardeners ... ..	132	264
		Subdivision No. 2.—(Inalterable.)		
		No. 1. Maintenance and Improvement of Treasury Gardens and Studley Park ... ..		375
		2. Grant to the Committee of Management for 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 a sum of £2,000 be contributed by such Council, viz.:—Fitzroy Gardens, Carlton Gardens, Flagstaff Gardens, Yarra Park, Prince's Park, Fawkner Park, Flinders Park, Lincoln Square, Argyle Square, Curtain Square, Macarthur Square, Murchison Square, Darling Square, and University Square ... ..		2,000
		3. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Edinburgh Gardens, City of Fitzroy, on the understanding that a sum of £200 be contributed by the Fitzroy City Council ... ..		200
		4. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Richmond Park, City of Richmond, on the understanding that a sum of £70 be contributed by the Richmond City Council ... ..		70
		5. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Darling Gardens, City of Collingwood, on the understanding that a sum of £150 be contributed by the Collingwood City Council ... ..		150
				2,795
		Total Division No. 51 ... ..		3,059
		The sum of ... ..		2,293
		DIVISION No. 52.		
		BOTANICAL AND DOMAIN GARDENS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1	Sc.	Curator of Botanical Gardens* ... ..		546
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4	Clerk† ... ..		279
1	5	Clerk ... ..		182
2				461

\* With quarters.—† With quarters while residing at Botanical Gardens.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 52.				£	£
		Subdivision No. 3.					
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				Maxi- mum.	
					£		
2		Foremen	...	...	...	168	316
14		Gardeners	...	...	...	132	1,810
1		Label Writer, Assistant	...	...	...	120	102
2		Mechanics	...	...	...	144	270
1		Carpenter	...	...	...	156	156
1		Carpenter's Assistant	...	...	...	120	120
2		Junior Gardeners	...	...	...	84	168
10		Labourers	...	...	...	120	1,005
2		Carters	...	...	...	126	252
1		Labourers' Boy	...	...	...	48	48
1		Night Watchman	...	...	...	132	114
37							4,361
		Subdivision No. 4.					
		<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>					
1		Gardener for Government House	...	...	...		108
41		Total SALARIES	...	...	...		5,476
		Subdivision No. 5.					
		CONTINGENCIES.					
		Additional Labour, also Sunday Watchmen	...	...	...		319
		Cartage of Stone, Gravel, &c.	...	...	...		109
		Forage for Cart-horses, and Shoeing	...	...	...		134
		Purchase of Seeds and Plants	...	...	...		40
		Sundry Works	...	...	...		400
							1,002
		Total Division No. 52	...	...	...		6,478
		The sum of	...	...	...		4,795
		DIVISION No. 53.					
		EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		SALARIES.					
		CLERICAL DIVISION.					
		Registrar of Land Tax (see "Secretary for Lands").					
1	3	Chief Clerk and Deputy Registrar	...	...	...		326
1	4	Clerk	...	...	...		279
2		Total SALARIES	...	...	...		605
		Subdivision No. 2.					
		Expenses generally	...	...	...		100
		Total Division No. 53	...	...	...		705
		The sum of	...	...	...		528

Number.	Classification		£
		DIVISION No. 54.	
		EXTIRPATION OF RABBITS AND WILD ANIMALS.	
		SALARIES.	
		Subdivision No. 1.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	
1		Chief Inspector under Vermin Destruction Act ... ..	299
		Subdivision No. 2.	
		CLERICAL DIVISION.	
1	5	Clerk ... ..	151
2		Total SALARIES ... ..	450
		Subdivision No. 3.	
		Expenses generally in carrying out the Vermin Destruction Act, includ- ing subsidies to Shire Councils and Vermin Boards for the destruction of foxes and wild dogs, also for erection and repairs of vermin-proof fencing on Crown lands ... ..	13,000
		Total Division No. 54 ... ..	13,450
		The sum of ... ..	9,337
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		DIVISION No. 55.	
		STATE FORESTS AND NURSERIES.	
		SALARIES.	
		Subdivision No. 1.	
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	
	G.	Conservator of Forests ... ..	668
1		Inspector of Forests ... ..	354
1		Assistant Inspector of Forests ... ..	261
3			1,283
		Subdivision No. 2.	
		CLERICAL DIVISION.	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	589
1	4f	Draughtsman ... ..	226
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188
4			1,003
		Subdivision No. 3.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	
21		Foresters ... ..	2,580
28		Total SALARIES ... ..	4,866



DIVISION No. 55.		£	£
Subdivision No. 4.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Allowances, Travelling Expenses, Incidentals, &c.	... ..	2,535	
Tools, Stores, &c.	... ..	100	
Forage for Cart-horses, &c.	... ..	75	
Maintenance of Grounds, Governor's residence, Macedon	... ..	310	
Fencing State Forests, Wire Netting, &c.	... ..	175	
Rewards for information <i>re</i> careless use of Fire in State Forests, &c...	... ..	20	
Planting and Thinning Trees, Labour, Purchase of Seeds, Carriage, and Extension of Wattle and other Plantations	... ..	3,050	
Four Foremen supervising Sleeper Hewing operations, with allowances	... ..	539	
		6,804	
Total Division No. 55	... ..	11,670	
The sum of ...	... ..	...	8,698
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DIVISION No. 56.			
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.			
Village Settlements and Expenses connected therewith	... ..	3,500	
Labour Colonies	... ..	1,500	
Total Division No. 56	... ..	5,000	
The sum of ...	... ..	...	2,875
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DIVISION No. 57.			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No. 1. Expenses of Engine-driver, West Melbourne Swamp	... ..	50	
2. Improvement of Albert Park and Lake	... ..	500	
3. To the Trustees of Ocean Park, Sorrento, licence-fees for Grazing and Lime sites	... ..	4	
4. Planting and Thinning Trees in State Forests in connexion with Unemployed	... ..	1,000	
5. To Messrs. Kersell and Adams, compensation on resumption of Mallee Blocks 53B and 54A	... ..	6,171	
6. Gratuity to the Widow of the late G. F. Clarke, Clerk, Lands Department, equal to nine months' pay	... ..	225	
7. To the Committee of Management of the Hepburn Mineral Spring Park, fees received for the occupation of the site of the Mineral Spring	... ..	50	
Total Division No. 57	... ..	8,000	
The sum of ...	... ..	...	7,850

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

**VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

Number.	Classification.		£	£
		DIVISION No. 58.		
		PUBLIC WORKS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
		Secretary for Public Works (see Secretary for Agriculture).		
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Inspector-General of Public Works ...	1000	880
		Grade.		
1	"	1 Architect ... ..	600	546
3	"	2 Architects ... ..	500	1,380
6	"	Assistant Architects ... ..	360	2,009
2	"	Engineers ... ..	600	941
1	"	Engineer ... ..	400	291
1	" <i>f</i>	Assistant Engineer ... ..	360	279
3	"	Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	200	564
18				6,890
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..		447
4	4	Clerks ... ..		1,051
1	4	Clerk and Draughtsman ... ..		317
1	4	Draughtsman ... ..		314
1	4 <sup>f</sup>	Inspector of Road Works ... ..		242
11	5	Clerks ... ..		1,998
2	5	Architectural Draughtsmen ... ..		376
4	5	Junior Draughtsmen ... ..		730
25				5,475
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
		Grade.	£	
1		1 Inspector of Works ... ..	300	279
14		2 Inspectors of Works ... ..	276	3,466
1		Type-writer ... ..	144	120
1		Type-writer ... ..	132	84
1		Caretaker, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	240	226
1		Messenger ... ..	120	119
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144
4		Engineer Mechanics—Three at £221 14s. ...	210	823

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 58.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2	Cabinetmakers	... ..	168	316
1	Carpenter	... ..	156	156
1	Hall Porter, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	... ..	126	126
1	Night Watchman, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	... ..	126	126
5	Foreman of Labourers	... ..	132	534
	Labourers, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens, at from £85 16s. 6d. to £120	... ..	120	
1	Labourer, Government House	... ..	120	86
1	Cleaner and Caretaker, Public Offices, Bendigo *	... ..	100	100
1	Engineer, Dight's Falls	... ..	216	204
<i>Dredging and Snagging Works.</i>				
3	Masters of Vessels	... ..	252	508
1	Master of Dredge	... ..	210	170
1	Coxswain	... ..	144	132
3	Second Mates of Vessels	... ..	180	456
2	Engineers	... ..	228	339
1	Engine-driver at £156 10s.	... ..	156	157
2	Firemen—One at £152 11s.	... ..	138	291
1	Foreman, Dredging Works	... ..	192	181
2	Divers' Attendants, occasionally acting as Divers	... ..	138	276
	Extra pay, at 6s. per diem, for ditto when diving (say on 250 days)	... ..	...	150
1	Diver's Attendant	... ..	126	126
3	Deck Hands—One at £127 2s.	... ..	120	368
1	Labourer	... ..	120	108
59				10,171
Subdivision No. 5.				
<i>Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.</i>				
1	Hall Attendant, Government House	... ..	120	120
103				
Total SALARIES ... ..			22,656	

\* With quarters.

## DIVISION No. 58.

## Subdivision No. 6.

## CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Temporary Assistance ... ..	100	
Travelling Expenses ... ..	2,500	
Lithographing, Printing Bills of Quantities, &c., and Mounting Plans...	30	
Stores, Printed Books, &c., and Incidental Expenses ... ..	350	
Lighting for Government House ... ..	300	
Fuel, Light, Keeper's Stores, Incidentals, and Charwomen, New Government Offices ... ..	800	
Cleaning and Maintaining Closets and Urinals at Government Buildings, Melbourne and Suburbs ... ..	1,400	
Expenses of the Municipal Surveyors' Board, including Allowance to Secretary, £25 per annum, and to three Examiners, not to exceed £40 each per annum (total expenditure not to exceed the amount of fees received) ... ..	150	
	5,630	
Total Division No. 58 ... ..	28,286	
The sum of ... ..	...	20,581

## DIVISION No. 59.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities — (Inalterable):—					
J. Anderson ... ..	£46	12	3		
J. Walker ... ..	124	16	0		
J. W. Crawley ... ..	230	0	0		
A. McHarg ... ..	135	5	0		
	£536	18	3		
				537	
Total Division No. 59 ... ..				537	
The sum of ... ..				...	397

## DIVISION No. 60.

## WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## Subdivision No. 1.

WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Dredging Operations, Snagging, and other Harbor and River Improvements in the Colony outside the jurisdiction of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, including Pay for Temporary Employés, Repairs to and Stores for Steam Dredges and other Plant, the Landing and Spreading of Silt, also Surveys and Borings, &c. ... ..	14,000
2. Towards Clearing the River Murray ... ..	800
3. Completion of Removal of Reefs and other Improvements in River Yarra between Queen's and Prince's Bridges ...	1,000
4. Harbor Works, Port Fairy ... ..	1,000
5. Repairs and Additions to Jetties, Sheds, Approaches, &c., Geelong ... ..	1,000
6. Repairs and Additions to Wharfs, Sheds, Jetties, and Approaches throughout the Colony ... ..	1,500
7. Towards Completion and Maintenance of the New Entrance to the Gippsland Lakes ... ..	2,500
8. Harbor Works, Warrnambool ... ..	600
9. Harbor Works, Portland ... ..	700
10. Geelong Town Council, towards providing a Lock in the River Barwon at the Breakwater, Council to expend £400 additional	400

23,500

## Subdivision No. 2.

POLICE BUILDINGS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Police Buildings and Works for Police, including Transport, Land, Furniture, Repairs, and Additions ... ..	2,500
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## Subdivision No. 3.

GAOLS AND PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, and other Works for Gaols, Penal Buildings, Hulks, &c., including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	4,000
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## Subdivision No. 4.

## LUNATIC ASYLUMS.

No. 1. Repairs and other Works at Lunatic Asylums throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	7,000
2. Towards Erection of Boundary Walls, Formation of Yards, Erection of Out-buildings, Furniture, &c., for New Wards, Lunatic Asylum, Sunbury ... ..	3,000

10,000

## Subdivision No. 5.

REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Buildings and other Works for Department of Industrial and Reformatory Schools, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ... ..	400
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	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
COURT HOUSES—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Erection of Court Houses for the holding of Courts of Assize, General and Petty Sessions, County Courts and Courts of Mines, Morgues, and for Sheriffs' and Keepers' Quarters, including Repairs and Additions, Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	1,500	
2. Alterations, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c., New Law Courts, Melbourne ... ..	200	
	1,700	
Subdivision No. 7.		
LIGHT-HOUSES AND LIGHT-SHIPS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Repairs, Additions, and other Works for Light-houses, Keepers' Quarters, Light-ships, including Fittings, Furniture, Roads, and Fencing (exclusive of Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, and Eddystone Point), also Erection and Renewal of and Repairs to Jetty and Channel Lamps ... ..	1,250	
Subdivision No. 8.		
POWDER MAGAZINES, ETC.		
No. 1. Erection of and Repairs and Additions to Powder Magazines, Buildings for Storage of Explosive Compounds, and Keepers' Quarters throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, Fencing, &c. ... ..	300	
Subdivision No. 9.		
LANDS AND SURVEY.		
No. 1. Buildings and Repairs and Additions to Buildings under the Department of Lands and Survey, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing, and Works in Botanical Gardens and Government House Domain, also Cottages for Foresters in State Forests, and Repairs and Additions to Buildings at State Nurseries, including Fencing ... ..	750	
Subdivision No. 10.		
TREASURY BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., at Receipt and Pay Offices throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	100	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
Subdivision No. 11.		
SUNDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Additions and Repairs, &c., at Parliament Buildings, including Fittings, Furniture, Ventilating, Fencing, Electric Lighting Fittings, and maintenance and cost of working during the Session ... ..	1,500	
2. Repairs, Additions, Fittings, and Furniture, &c., for Government Printing Office ... ..	150	
3. Repairs, &c., Glass Cases, Fittings, and Furniture for Public Library and National Gallery and Museums ... ..	300	
4. Repairs and Additions to Observatory and Quarters, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ... ..	100	
5. Additions, Repairs, Furniture, Fittings, Labour, &c., at Government House and Grounds, and at Cottage, Macedon ... ..	2,500	
6. Towards Completion of the Pumping, Storage, and Reticulation Works for supplying Water to Botanical Gardens, and for Mains for future extension from the River Yarra near Dight's Falls, and for the Maintenance and Working Expenses in connexion therewith ... ..	800	
7. Furniture, Glass Cases, Fittings, &c., for National Museum ... ..	200	
8. Cutting out and replacing decayed Stonework, rebuilding Chimney Stacks, and Coating Surface of Old Treasury Building with stone liquid ... ..	555	
		6,105
Subdivision No. 12.		
POST AND TELEGRAPH STATIONS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, General Post Office, Melbourne Branches and Stables, including Fittings and Furniture ... ..	750	
2. Erection of and Repairs and Additions to Post and Telegraph Offices at other places throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Lands, and Fencing ... ..	3,000	
		3,750
Subdivision No. 13.		
FENCES AND REPAIRS TO FENCES, ETC.—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Fencing Public Buildings, Sites, and Reserves under control of Government, including Repairs, &c. ... ..	100	
2. Fencing Police Paddocks and Buildings, including Repairs ... ..	200	
		300
Subdivision No. 14.		
RENTS AND FURNITURE, ETC.—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Rent of Public Buildings, Offices, and Land for the use of the Government, and Allowances for Rent in lieu of quarters ... ..	14,100	
2. Interest on purchase money of site and premises used as stables for Post and Telegraph Department in Sturt-street, South Melbourne ... ..	640	
3. Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices and Buildings, including Repairs and Transport ... ..	500	
		15,240
Subdivision No. 15.		
CUSTOMS, ETC., BUILDINGS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Repairs, Painting, Alterations, Fittings, Furniture, &c., Customs Houses and Sheds, Melbourne and Williamstown ... ..	200	
2. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., to Customs, &c., Buildings throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	300	
3. For Erection of Watchman's Office, &c., at Gooramadda ... ..	190	
4. For Counting Yards at Tocumwal and Wahgunyah ... ..	100	
5. Moiety of Cost of Erection of Quarters for Watchmen at Swan Hill ... ..	125	
		915

	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 60.</b>		
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c.; also Maintenance of Training College and Grounds ... ..	9,000	
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Public Works and Buildings, including laying on Gas and Water ... ..	750	
2. To provide Telegraphic and Telephonic Communication for Police and other Government Buildings, including Maintenance by Post and Telegraph Department ... ..	200	
3. Repairs and other Works at Quarantine Station, Point Nepean, and Calf Lymph Depôt, Royal Park ... ..	1,300	
4. Insurance of sundry Government Buildings ... ..	900	
5. Conveyance of Silt, &c., and spreading same, to raise and drain low lands ... ..	200	
6. Other Public Works ... ..	1,000	
7. Canal Works, &c., Elwood Swamp ... ..	100	
8. Cottage for Horticultural Expert at the Horticultural Society's Gardens, Burnley ... ..	100	
9. Bendigo City and Huntly and Marong Shires—To assist in completing the Huntly and Marong Sludge Channel, Councils to expend £1,000 additional ... ..	1,000	
10. South Melbourne City—To further assist in constructing Protecting Wall at Beaconsfield-parade to prevent encroachment of the sea, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
11. To assist various Municipalities in planting Grass to prevent encroachment of sand ... ..	350	
12. Buildings, Appliances, Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing, Experimental Tobacco Farm, Hedi ... ..	400	
13. Towards completion of Drainage, Koo-wee-rup Swamp ... ..	2,000	
14. Towards completion of Drainage, Condah Swamp ... ..	1,500	
	9,900	
Total Division No. 60 ... ..	89,710	
The sum of ... ..	...	60,260
<b>DIVISION No. 61.</b>		
DEFENCE WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Maintenance and Inspection of Forts, Batteries, &c., providing other necessary Works for Defence purposes; also for Naval and Military Buildings and Vessels, &c., including Additions, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ... ..	7,500	
2. For Defence Works, Thursday Island ... ..	120	
Total Division No. 61 ... ..	7,620	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,120



	£	£
DIVISION No. 62.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
No. 1. Avoca Shire—To assist in re-erecting Bridge over the Glenlofty Creek, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
2. Bannockburn and Winchelsea Shires—To assist in renewing Bell's Bridge over Barwon River at Inverleigh, Councils to expend £300 additional ... ..	150	
3. Berwick Shire—To assist in making Road from Berwick through Emerald and Gembrook, Council to expend £150 additional ...	150	
4. Bannockburn and Barrabool Shires—To assist in re-erecting Ceres Bridge over the Barwon River, Councils to expend £600 additional ... ..	300	
5. Bulla Shire—To assist in repairing Road from Bulla to Lunatic Asylum at Sunbury ... ..	100	
6. Coburg Shire—To assist in repairing Roads leading from Pentridge Stockade, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
7. Clunes Borough—To further assist in rebuilding Bridge over Creswick Creek at Clunes ... ..	150	
8. Daylesford Borough—To further assist in rebuilding Bridge over Wombat Creek on Main Ballarat Road, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	200	
9. Ferntree Gully Shire—To assist in making Roads at Bayswater ...	120	
10. Glenlyon Shire—To assist in reconstructing Bridge over Loddon River at Glenlyon, on Main road from Daylesford to Malmesbury, Council to expend £1,000 additional ... ..	1,000	
11. Grenville Shire—To assist in constructing Bridge over Bonshaw Creek on Ballarat and Cherrytree Road, Council to expend £150 additional ... ..	150	
12. Heytesbury Shire—To assist in constructing Roads, Council to expend £250 additional ... ..	250	
13. Minhamite Shire—To assist in constructing Broadwater Road, Council to expend £150 additional ... ..	150	
14. Marong Shire and Tarnagulla Borough—To further assist in re-erecting Bridge over Loddon River at Newbridge, Councils to expend £100 additional ... ..	50	
15. Mansfield Shire—To assist in constructing Road between Mansfield and Jamieson, Council to expend £150 additional ...	150	
16. McIvor Shire—To assist in re-erecting Bridge over Wild Duck Creek on Main Road from Heathcote to Kyneton, Council to expend £250 additional ... ..	250	
17. Newstead Shire—For assistance for Bridge over Jim Crow Creek, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	200	
18. North Ovens Shire—To assist in constructing Telegraph Road, Council to expend £76 additional ... ..	76	
19. Port Melbourne Town and Williamstown Town—To further assist in constructing Williamstown Short Road, Councils to expend £500 additional ... ..	1,000	
20. Rosedale Shire—To assist in constructing Road from Tocnagabbie to Walhalla, Council to expend £100 additional ...	100	
21. Strathfieldsaye Shire—To assist in the construction of Bridges in the Shire, Council to expend £150 additional ... ..	150	
22. Wodonga Shire—To assist in maintaining Albury to Wodonga Road ... ..	400	
23. To assist various Municipalities, that applied before 1st April, in repairing Damages caused by Floods ... ..	4,000	
24. To assist in making, clearing, and draining Roads to Village Settlements ... ..	2,000	
25. To assist in clearing and making Roads in various localities ...	1,000	
26. Moiety of Cost of repairing and maintaining Murray River Bridges ... ..	114	
27. Yarrawonga Bridge Approach—Towards completing the approach to the Yarrawonga Bridge ... ..	457	
Total Division No. 62 ... ..	13,017	
The sum of ... ..	...	9,017

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.**

Number.	Classification.	£	£
<p>DIVISION No. 63.</p> <p>TRADE AND CUSTOMS.</p> <p>SALARIES.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 1.</p> <p>FIRST DIVISION.</p>			
1	The Secretary for Trade and Customs, also Collector of Customs, Melbourne ... ..	880	
<p>Subdivision No. 2.</p> <p>CLERICAL DIVISION.</p>			
3	1 Chief Clerk, Senior Landing Surveyor, Inspector of Accounts ... ..	1,724	
2	2 Landing Surveyor, Assistant Inspector of Accounts ... ..	993	
14	3 Paymaster, Inspector of Drawbacks, Receiver, Warehousekeeper, Jerquer, Landing Waiters, Clerks ... ..	6,073	
44	4 Tide-Inspector, Tide Surveyors, Assistant Landing Waiters, Collectors, Clerks ... ..	12,222	
66	5 Collectors, Tide Waiters, Clerks, Lockers, Weighers ... ..	11,775	
129		32,787	



Number.	Classification		£	££
DIVISION No. 64.				
PORTS AND HARBORS, MERCANTILE MARINE, FISHERIES, AND IMMIGRA- TION.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
1	A. & E.	Engineer in charge of Ports and Harbors, also Superintendent of Mercantile Marine Office, Inspector of Fisheries, Immigration Agent, and Inspector of Naval and Military Machinery ... ..	£	
3	G.	Harbor-masters and Pilots* ... ..	750 300	792 506
4				1,298
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Senior Clerk and Deputy Superintendent	...	447
1	4	Clerk ... ..	...	269
5	5	Clerks (one a Deputy Superintendent)	...	908
7				1,624
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
DOCKYARD.				
			£	
1		Foreman ... ..	312	} 2,300
1		Lighthouse Mechanic ... ..	240	
1		Engineer ... ..	186	
2		Assistant Smiths ... ..	156	
3		Carpenters ... ..	156	
1		Assistant Carpenter ... ..	120	
1		Engine-driver ... ..	156	
2		Strikers ... ..	132	
1		Watchman ... ..	132	
1		Foreman Labourer ... ..	120	
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	
16				
GOVERNMENT STEAMER. †				
1		Master ... ..	360	} 2,025
1		Engineer ... ..	288	
1		Chief Mate ... ..	222	
1		Second Mate and Carpenter ... ..	180	
3		Firemen ... ..	120	
1		Cook and Steward ... ..	144	
1		Assistant Cook ... ..	120	
6		Seamen ... ..	90	
3		Boys ... ..	60	
18				
OUTPORTS AND LIGHTHOUSE STATIONS. ‡				
2		Coxswains and Senior Boatmen (also Pilots and Harbor-masters) ... ..	180	} 6,942
10		Lighthouse-keepers* ... ..	222	
5		Lighthouse-keepers' Senior Assistants* ... ..	186	
32		Lighthouse-keepers' Junior Assistants* ... ..	162	
49				
83				11,267

\* With quarters. —† Officers, men, and boys allowed rations. —‡ With light and water; and at Gabo Island, Wilson's Promontory, Clifty Island, West Channel, South Channel, and Gellibrand, fuel in addition.

Number.	Classification	£	£
	DIVISION No. 64.		
	Subdivision No. 4.		
	(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1	Marine Surveyor ... ..	}	859
4	Boatbuilders', &c., Apprentices and Junior Carpenter ... ..		
1	Gas Engineer ... ..		
1	Engine-driver—Dock-yard ... ..		
1	Engine-driver—Steam Launch ... ..		
8			
102	Total SALARIES ... ..	15,048	

## Subdivision No. 5.

## CONTINGENCIES.

Allowances to Inspectors of Fisheries and others for carrying out the Fisheries and other Acts ... ..	200
Wharf Managers, Allowances to ... ..	340
Oil, Wicks, Glasses, &c. ... ..	400
Incidental and Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, &c. ... ..	530
Marine Casualties, Life Boats, &c., and Expenses ... ..	660
Provisions for Government Steamer ... ..	500
Extra Labour for Graving Dock, &c. ... ..	1,450
General Maintenance—Repairs, &c., to Machinery, &c., of Alfred Graving Dock and Yard, Patent Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, and Government Steamer; Providing and Repairing Buoys, Beacons, and Moorings; Repairs to Lighthouses and Lightship Apparatus; Construction of Boats, and Repairs to Boats and Launches; Stores and Ships' Chandlery; Coal for Dock, Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, Government Steamer, and three Steam Launches ... ..	2,660
Purchase of New Boilers for Alfred Graving Dock ... ..	3,000
Gas Buoys and Beacons ... ..	800
Expenses of Marine Survey ... ..	650
Towards Cleaning and Lighting Wharfs and Jetties ... ..	1,200
Maintenance of Eight Coast Lights,* including Expenditure on Buildings (under the superintendence of the Public Works Department where necessary)—Stations: Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, Eddystone Point, each one light, and King's Island two lights ... ..	3,000
Third and Final Yearly Instalment to Tasmania in payment of Victoria's share (£2,846 4s. 11d.) of Expenditure incurred by Tasmania for Repairs to Swan and Goose Island and Kent's Group Light-houses...	949
	16,339
Total Division No. 64 ... ..	31,387
The sum of ... ..	24,289

\* Maintained by the Governments of New South Wales, Tasmania, and Victoria. This estimate, except that for Eddystone Point, is prepared upon the basis of tonnage of vessels using the lights, and is only for the portion payable by Victoria. The maintenance of the Eddystone Point Light is shared equally by the Governments of Tasmania and Victoria.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 65.				
DISTILLERIES, EXCISE, AND EXPLOSIVES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
1	G.	Inspector of Explosives and Chief Inspector of Distilleries and Excise ... ..	800	800
1	G.	Chemical Assistant ... ..	250	188
2				988
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Senior Inspector of Distilleries, Liquor, and Excise ... ..		447
3	4	Clerks, Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors, Ad- ditional Officers, Sub-Lockers ... ..		814
15	5			
19				4,021
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
9		Senior Inspector and Inspectors of Liquor, Excise, and Explosives (including Allowances) ... ..	204	1,855
2		Keepers* † ... ..	252	966
1		Cooper* ... ..	180	
1		Sub-Keeper ... ..	144	
2		Labourers ... ..	120	
1		Messenger ... ..	120	
16				2,821
37		Total SALARIES ... ..		7,830
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Instruments, and Repairs, &c. ... ..		75
		Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses ... ..		600
		Travelling Expenses to Inspectors, &c. ... ..		1,350
		Rewards and Expenses for Discovery of Illicit Distillation, &c. ... ..		325
		Allowances to Keepers of Powder Magazines ... ..		200
				2,550
		Total Division No. 65 ... ..		10,380
		The sum of ... ..		7,781

\* With fuel.—† One with quarters

Number.	Classification.		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 66.</b>				
<b>MARINE BOARD.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
Subdivision No. 1.				
<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Engineer Surveyor ... ..	600	542
1	A. & E.	Assistant Engineer Surveyor ... ..	360	317
1	G.	Inspector of Shipping ... ..	450	414
3				1,273
Subdivision No. 2.				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	2	Secretary to the Marine Board ... ..		546
2	5	Clerks ... ..		376
3				922
Subdivision No. 3.				
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1		Messenger ... ..	120	120
7		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		<b>2,315</b>
Subdivision No. 4.				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
		Expenses Court of Marine Inquiry ... ..		250
		Allowances to Examiners, Surveyors, and extra assistance ... ..		250
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling, Legal and Incidental Expenses		400
		Adjusters of Compasses ... ..		200
		Allowance to Chairman of Marine Board ... ..		100
				1,200
		<b>Total Division No. 66</b> ... ..		<b>3,515</b>
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..		<b>2,635</b>
<b>DIVISION No. 67.</b>				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensations, and Gratuities—				
(Inalterable):—				
		(1) Pension to J. C. Tyler, Esq., late Assistant Com- missioner of Trade and Customs ... ..	£	450
		(2) Additional Pension to Mr. T. Judd, late Locker and Clerk, Customs, Melbourne ... ..	100	
		(3) Pension to Mr. Jas. Reid, formerly Secretary to the Pilot Board, and late Clerk, Customs, Melbourne ... ..	112	
				662
		2. Annual Subscription to the International Tariff Bureau ... ..		126
		3. Refund of Duty paid under exceptional circumstances:—		
		(1) On Machinery for Portland Freezing Works, £279 2s. 11d. ... ..	280	
		(2) On Goods distributed to the poor and used for charitable purposes on occasion of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations, £235 2s. 6d. ... ..	236	
				516
		<b>Total Division No. 67</b> ... ..		<b>1,304</b>
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..		<b>1,012</b>

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

### X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 68.		
		POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Deputy Postmaster-General and Secretary, also General Superintendent of Electric Telegraphs	668	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	Sc.	Telegraph Engineer and Chief Electrician ...	700	630
1	Sc.	Electrician ... ..	450	447
2				1,077
		Subdivision No. 3.*		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Accountant†; also Comptroller of Stamps under Stamps Acts 1140 and 1274 ... ..		474
1	1	Comptroller, Money Order and Savings Banks ...		668
1	1f	Superintendent, Mail Branch ... ..		546
1	2	Telegraph Manager ... ..		546
1	2	Sub-Accountant; also Comptroller of Stamps (Acting) under Stamps Act 1140 and 1274 ...		447
1	3	Inspector, Post and Telegraph Service ...		414
1	4	Assistant Inspector ... ..		326
1	3	Cashier ... ..		447
			Number.	Salary.
				£
			1	485
			2	400
			3	350
			1	340
			9	300
16	3f	Postmasters ... ..		4,994

NOTE.—Postmasters and Postmistresses are allowed quarters.

\* Includes value of services performed for Treasury Department by Postmasters who act also as Receivers and Paymasters, say £3,000.—† Acts also as Controller of Stores.





Number.	Classification	£	£
DIVISION No. 68.			
Subdivision No. 4.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
		Maxi- mum. Per month £	
5	Mail Officers at from £18 10s. to £25 per month ... ..	25	} 69,137
96	Senior Sorters and Sorters at from £11 10s. per month to £225 per annum ... ..	17/10	
9	Parcel Sorters at from £7 to £13 10s. per month ... ..	13/10	
12	Female Assistant Sorters at from £4 10s. per month to £80 per annum ... ..	6/10	
398	Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week ... ..	11	
28	Operating Messengers at from £6 to £7 10s. per month ... ..	7/10	} 28,755
457	Telegraph Messengers at from £2 to £5 per month ... ..	5	
2	Inspectors of Telegraph Works at from £22 to £25 per month ... ..	25	} 11,368
3	Overseers of Telegraph Works at from £17 to £21 per month ... ..	21	
27	Line Repairers at from £10 10s. per month to 60s. per week ... ..	13	
54	Line Repairers' Assistants at from £8 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10	} 1,226
1	Foreman Carpenter at from £14 to £15 per month ... ..	15	
7	Carpenters, Carpenters' Assistants, and Ship Carpenter, at from £8 per month to 60s. per week ... ..	13	
1	Battery Room Foreman at 60s. per week ... ..	13	} 8,505
13	Battery Room Assistants at from £8 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10	
1	Electrical Foreman and Instrument Fitter ... ..	34	
48	Instrument Fitter, Instrument Fitters' Assistants, Instrument Fitters' Senior Assistants, and Instrument Fitters' Junior Assistants, at from £6 to £20 10s. per month ... ..	20/10	} 17,302
2	Instrument Fitters' Labourers at from £6 10s. per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10	
2	Cable Jointers at £14 per month ... ..	14	
1	Chief Storeman and Foreman Maintenance Staff at £20 per month ... ..	22	
7	Saddlers and Sailmakers at from £9 to £13 per month ... ..	13	
9	Storeman and Packers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	11/10	
79	Porters and Pillar Clearers at from £7 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	11	
31	Mail Drivers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10/10	
2	Female Stamp Embossers at £80 ... ..	6/13/4	
1	Caretaker, General Post Office, at £19 ... ..	19	
3	Night Watchmen at from £10 per month to £15 per month ... ..	15	

Number.	Classification	£	£													
DIVISION No. 68.																
		Maxi- mum.														
		Per month														
		£														
1	Gatekeeper ... ..	12	} 8,618													
4	Painters from £9 to £12 per month ...	12														
1	Plumber and Gasfitter at £14 per month ...	14														
3	Labourers at from £6 10s. to £10 per month	10														
3	Engine-drivers at £15 per month ...	15														
3	Firemen at £10 per month ...	10														
98	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £4 10s. to £7 10s. per month ...	7/10														
1	Typewriter at £5 per month ...	6/10														
1	French-polisher ... ..	13														
1	Stamp Printer and Impresser at £14 per month ... ..	14														
2	Boatmen at 56s. per week ... ..	12														
1	Stamp Impresser and Machineman at £17 per month ... ..	17														
To pay Letter-carriers appointed under old Post Office Regulations the following rates on their promotion as Sorters :—																
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	Amount.	At Intervals of—	Number.													
£ s. 11 10	s. 10	One year	Six	£ s. 14 10												
170	Sorters from £11 10s. to £14 10s. per month ...		27,668													
1588			172,574													
Subdivision No. 5.																
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)																
8	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £6 to £6 10s. per month ... ..		624													
2292																
Total SALARIES ... ..			290,867													

## DIVISION No. 68.

## Subdivision No. 6.

## CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Allowances to Country Postmasters, including Commission for conducting Telegraph business ... ..	28,000	
Overtime to Officers and others when unavoidably employed at night under special circumstances ... ..	300	
Police Constables' Allowances ... ..	160	
Temporary Assistance, and to provide for the absence of Officers through sickness and when on leave ... ..	3,000	
Special Allowance to Postmaster, Mildura ... ..	40	
Contributions towards the Maintenance of Telegraph Stations at Gabo Island and Flinders ... ..	700	
Maintenance of Lines, including Purchase, Hire, and Forage of Horses	1,750	
Telegraph Instruments, Battery Materials, Tools, &c. ... ..	2,000	
Clothing for Railway Mail Sorters, Letter-carriers, Telegraph Messengers, &c. ... ..	2,000	
Stores, Stationery, Mail Bags, Ironmongery, Safes, Seals, and Stamps, &c.	5,500	
Travelling Expenses ... ..	5,000	
Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..	4,500	
Charwomen, and cleaning at Country Stations ... ..	2,750	
Carriage of Stores, Insurance Premiums on extra guarantees, and Incidentals ... ..	1,750	
	57,450	
Total Division No. 68 ... ..	348,317	
The sum of ... ..	...	259,550

## DIVISION No. 69.

## TELEGRAPH LINES.

No. 1. Extensions, Repairs, and Alterations, Renewing Poles, Transferring Lines to routes of New Railways, including Wire, Insulators, Fittings, &c., for Telegraph Poles, and Telegraph Materials for stock; also Maintenance of Telephone Lines for various Departments ... ..	3,950	
2. Telephone Exchanges, Telephones, Battery Materials, Cables, Wire, &c. ... ..	15,000	
3. Proportion of Guarantee payable by Victoria to the Government of South Australia on account of reduction in rates on Foreign Telegrams ... ..	400	
4. To proportion of Subsidy payable by Victoria towards the construction and maintenance of the Tasmanian Submarine Cable	1,718	
5. To proportion of Guarantee due by Victoria on account of reduction in rates of New Zealand Telegrams ... ..	1,500	
6. To amount payable by Victoria to the Government of Tasmania on account of Guarantee to the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company Limited for reduction in Telegraph Rates between Victoria and Tasmania ... ..	50	
Total Division No. 69 ... ..	22,618	
The sum of ... ..	...	16,618

	£	£
DIVISION No. 70.		
MAIL SERVICE.		
No. 1. Conveyance of Inland Mails—		
Government Railways ... ..	56,500	
Contractors, Special Conveyance of Mails, Purchase and Forage of Horses for Clearance of Letter Pillars, and Conveyance of Mails to Railway Stations, &c. ...	39,600	
Total Division No. 70 ... ..	96,100	
The sum of ... ..	...	72,350
DIVISION No. 71.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Compensation, Annual Allowances, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service, or their Widows—( <i>Inalterable</i> ):—		
Annual Allowance to H. Tune ... ..	£25 8 8	
J. Legon ... ..	70 10 5	
S. Bastard ... ..	52 7 7	
J. Branston ... ..	35 15 11	
L. Brady ... ..	33 11 6	
J. Macfarlane ... ..	25 7 0	
Elizabeth J. Stewart (née Bowie) ... ..	21 3 10	
Ellen Reilly (née Campion) ... ..	22 0 0	
To Benjamin Greening ... ..	£133 0 6	
Less paid from Special Appropriations 93 2 4	39 18 2	
	£326 3 1	327
To Porter John Bourke, £50 (in addition to pension of £32 17s. 3d.) on retirement from the service, in consideration of special services rendered in the establishment of the first overland Mail Service to Sydney ... ..		50
2. Contribution by the Colony of Victoria towards expenses of the International Telegraph Bureau at Berne, including expenses of remitting the same ... ..		47
3. Proportion of expenses in connexion with visit of representatives of Colonies at the Universal Postal Conference, Washington, America ... ..		217
4. To pay an amount equivalent to four months' salary to Thomas Carroll, senior engine-driver, whilst under suspension—£58 5s. 7d. ... ..		59
5. Refund of amount erroneously demanded by the Crown and paid in stamps by Thomas Tobin as duty on a lease from John Frederick Ludwig Stoos to him, registered No. 4843, on 22nd February, 1890—£20 15s. ... ..		21
Total Division No. 71 ... ..		721
The sum of ... ..		579

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 72.				
MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
FIRST DIVISION.				
1	3	Acting Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...	414	
		Allowance to Mr. James Travis for acting as Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...	132	
			546	
Subdivision No. 2				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Chief Engineer ... ..	1200	1,020
1	S. & L.	Government Geologist ... ..	600	460
1	A. & E.	Engineer ... ..	500	335
2		Assistant Engineers ... ..	360	577
5		Inspectors of Mines ... ..	350	1,628
3		Inspectors of Mines ... ..	300	621
7		Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	200	1,316
1	f	Junior Draughtsman ... ..	200	170
1	Sc.	Analyst ... ..	250	235
			6,362	
22				
Subdivision No. 3.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Chief Clerk ... ..		387
1	3	Accountant ... ..		335
1	3	Clerk and Draughtsman ... ..		414
12	4	Clerks and Draughtsmen ... ..		3,376
2	4 f	2nd Grade Draughtsmen ... ..		503
1	4	Lithographer ... ..		279
42	5	Clerks and Draughtsmen ... ..		7,765
			13,059	
60				
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Senior Inspector of Waterworks ... ..	300	246
2		Rate Collectors, Bendigo ... ..	252	392
1		Rate Collector, Geelong ... ..	225	212
1		Reservoir Keeper, Malmsbury ... ..	168	135
3		Water Bailiffs and Channel Keepers, Bendigo ... ..	144	388
2		Water Bailiffs, Kow Swamp ... ..	144	264
1		Turncock, Geelong ... ..	156	157
1		Bailiff ... ..	180	156
1		Messenger ... ..	120	130
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144
			2,224	
15				
Subdivision No. 5.				
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
8		Mining Surveyors and Mining Registrars ... ..		200
31		Mining Registrars ... ..		700
18		Wardens' Clerks ... ..		325
6		Clerks to Mining Boards ... ..		544
4		Keepers of Mining Board Offices ... ..		64
1		Draughtsman ... ..		188
			2,021	
68				
166	Total SALARIES ... ..			24,212

## DIVISION No. 72.

## Subdivision No. 6.

## CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Expenses of Prosecution under the <i>Mines Act</i> 1890 ... ..	25	
Special Allowances to Mining Surveyors for reporting on Lands, &c. ...	150	
Expenses of Mining Board Elections and Miscellaneous Expenses of Mining Boards ... ..	200	
Travelling Expenses, including those of Officers reporting on Leased Lands, &c. ... ..	2,300	
Stores, Books, Fuel, Light, and Water, and Incidentals ... ..	1,100	
Printing Reports, Stationery, &c. ... ..	600	
Expenses of Laboratory ... ..	500	
Experimental work in connexion with the Saving and Treatment of Gold Ores, &c. ... ..	150	
Fees and Expenses of Mining Engineers... ..	228	
Temporary Draughtsmen ... ..	540	
	5,793	
Total Division No. 72 ... ..	30,005	
The sum of ... ..	...	21,950

## DIVISION No. 73.

## PROSPECTING FOR GOLD AND COAL.

Prospecting for Gold and Coal, purchase and working of Diamond or other Drills and of appliances used for boring, materials, and expenses connected therewith, and expenses in connexion with the working of Testing Plants ... ..	750	
The sum of ... ..	...	450

## DIVISION No 74.

## WATERWORKS IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.

Surveys, Reports, and Contingencies in connexion with Projects of Water Supply to Country Districts, Expenses in connexion with Gauging Rivers, and Analyses of Waters ... ..	1,250	
The sum of ... ..	...	875

	£	£
DIVISION No. 75.		
COLIBAN, GEELONG, AND NATIONAL WORKS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
COLIBAN AND GEELONG WORKS.		
Travelling and Incidental Expenses in connexion with Collection of Rates—		
Coliban District	250	
Geelong District	100	
Labour and Materials, Stores, Forage, Travelling Expenses, and Contingencies in connexion with—		
Coliban Works	7,500	
Geelong Works	2,000	
	9,850	
Subdivision No. 2.		
NATIONAL WORKS.		
Material, Wages, Contingencies, and all other Expenses in connexion with the Management and Maintenance of—		
Goulburn System of National Works	1,950	
Laanecoorie Weir	300	
Bridgewater and Kinypaniel Weirs, &c.	340	
Kow Swamp and Macorna National Works	1,910	
	4,500	
Total Division No. 75	14,350	
The sum of	...	9,850
DIVISION No. 76.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Underground Surveys of Mines, Geological Surveys, &c.	5,000	
2. Expenses of Mining Surveyors removing Posts from Leases declared void, and Reports on Leases, &c.	50	
3. Travelling and other Expenses attending Examinations of Engine-drivers	700	
4. To provide for Railway Passes for Trustees of Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund...	15	
5. For the purchase of Miners' Rights and Railway Passes for Unemployed Miners	1,000	
Total Division No. 76	6,765	
The sum of	...	4,865

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



*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

## XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

Number.	Classification					£	£
		DIVISION No. 77.					
		AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES.					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		FIRST DIVISION.					
1		Secretary for Agriculture	...	...	...	712	
		Subdivision No. 2.					
	Sc.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				Maxi- mum.	
1		Chemist	...	...	...	550	501
1		Entomologist	...	...	...	350	326
2		Assistant Chemists	...	...	...	...	375
4							1,202
		Subdivision No. 3.					
		CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	3	Chief Clerk	...	...	...	414	
5	5	Clerks	...	...	...	940	
6							1,354
		Subdivision No. 4.					
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1		Assistant Entomologist	...	...	...	150	132
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	...	72	72
2							204
13		Total SALARIES	...	...	...	3,472	
		Subdivision No. 5.					
		CONTINGENCIES.					
		Travelling Expenses, Stores, Books, Instruments, and Incidentals	...	...	...	900	
		Total Division No. 77	...	...	...	4,372	
		The sum of	...	...	...	...	3,253
		DIVISION No. 78.					
		EXPERIMENTAL CULTIVATION.					
		Purchase of Seeds, Implements, Manures, Carriage, Cultivation, &c.	...	...	...	200	
		The sum of	...	...	...	...	150
		DIVISION No. 79.					
		VINE DISEASES ERADICATION.					
		Departmental Expenses, Trenching and Compensation in connexion with the eradication of diseased vineyards	...	...	...	12,000	
		The sum of	...	...	...	...	4,000

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 80.</b>				
<b>SCAB PREVENTION AND DISEASES IN STOCK.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	4	Acting Chief Inspector of Stock * ... ..	303	
1	4	District Inspector of Stock * ... ..	277	
1	4	District Inspector of Stock * ... ..	265	
1	4	Inspector of Stock ... ..	253	
6	5	Inspectors of Stock * ... ..	1,194	
10			2,292	
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>				
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
5		Inspectors of Stock ... ..	752	
1		Inspector of Stock ... ..	136	
6			888	
16		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..	3,180	
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
		Allowances, Travelling and Incidentals ... ..	1,600	
		Temporary Assistance ... ..	453	
			2,053	
		<b>Total Division No. 80</b> ... ..	5,233	
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	...	3,925
<b>DIVISION No. 81.</b>				
<b>GRANTS.</b>				
No. 1.		To Agricultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ... ..	3,500	
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, no payment to exceed £250 ... ..	2,500	
3.		To the Geelong Corporation, one-half of the expenses of Maintaining and Improving the Botanical Gardens, Geelong, for the year 1897, but not to exceed £250 ... ..	250	
4.		To Horticultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ... ..	300	
5.		For Medals to be awarded in connexion with the Royal Agricultural Society's Annual Show ... ..	50	
6.		For Payment of Expenses in connexion with the Export of Dairy Produce, Fruits, Honey, Meat, Rabbits, Poultry, and other Products ... ..	14,500	
		<b>Total Division No. 81</b> ... ..	21,100	
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	...	16,100
* Receive travelling or horse allowances of from £25 to £100 per annum.				

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

*Resolved*—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897-8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 82.		
		PUBLIC HEALTH.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	M.	Assistant Medical Inspector ...	...	460
1	M.	Health Officer, Quarantine Station * ...	500	460
1	A. & E.	Inspector and Engineer ...	500	460
1	A. & E.	Assistant Inspector and Engineer ...	360	304
1		Veterinary Inspector ...	...	400
5				2,084
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Secretary ...	...	546
1	3	Senior Clerk ...	...	447
1	4	Accountant, Vaccination and Cemeteries Officer	...	326
1	4	Clerk ...	...	274
5	5	Clerks ...	...	929
9				2,522
		Subdivision No. 3.	Maxi- mum.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	£	
1		Caretaker, Calf Lymph Depôt* †	120	111
1		Caretaker, Sanatorium* †	108	108
1		Coxswain* ...	180	161
2		Boatmen* † ...	144	290
5				670
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Chairman and Medical Inspector, Board of Public Health ...	...	1,000
1		Market Inspector, Board of Public Health ...	...	279
2				1,279
21		Total SALARIES ...	...	6,555

\* With quarters.—† With fuel, light, and water.—‡ One acts as skilled labourer.

	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 82.</b>		
<b>Subdivision No. 5.</b>		
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
Expenses Board of Public Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspectors ... ..	1,350	
Stores, Stationery and Printing, and Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals	160	
Allowances to Port Health Officers (including two at £250 per annum) and Incidentals ... ..	570	
Provisions and Stores for Quarantine Station and Steam Launch ...	250	
Maintenance of the Sanatorium, including Wages of Ambulance Driver and Messenger ... ..	180	
Allowance for the support of Lepers, including Wages of Attendants and Expenses of Removal ... ..	250	
Expenses in connexion with the stamping out of Contagious Diseases ...	700	
	3,460	
<b>Subdivision No. 6.</b>		
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
Allowances for Vaccination including expenses attending Cultivation of Calf Lymph ... ..	4,750	
To assist in Fencing New Cemeteries ... ..	100	
Expenses in connexion with the Provision of Hospital Accommodation by Municipalities ... ..	178	
Maintenance of Old Cemetery ... ..	30	
	5,058	
Total Division No. 82 ... ..	15,073	
The sum of ... ..	...	11,258

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1897–8 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

#### XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 83.		
	VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.		
	SALARIES.		
	Subdivision No. 1.		
	SECRETARY'S BRANCH.		
1	Secretary ... ..	880	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	460	
1	Clerk ... ..	349	
3		1,689	
	ACCOUNTANT'S BRANCH.		
1	Accountant ... ..	668	
1	Sub-Accountant ... ..	501	
8	Clerks ... ..	2,782	
10		3,951	
	AUDIT BRANCH.		
1	Railways Auditor ... ..	712	
3	Clerks ... ..	908	
4		1,620	
	STORES BRANCH.		
1	Railway Storekeeper ... ..	460	
1	Assistant Railway Storekeeper and Stores Inspector ... ..	279	
2		739	
	TRAFFIC BRANCH.		
1	Traffic Manager * ... ..	600	
1	Goods and Assistant Traffic Manager ... ..	500	
1	Traffic Running Superintendent ... ..	478	
1	Goods Superintendent * ... ..	372	
5	District Traffic Superintendents—One at £375,* one at £450, one at £400, one at £300,† and one at £300* ... ..	1,693	
4	Station-masters—One at £350,† one at £325,* and two at £300* ... ..	1,187	
1	Metropolitan Yard Inspector ... ..	303	
3	Clerks ... ..	1,199	
17		6,332	

\* With quarters value £52 per annum.—† With allowance of £52 per annum in lieu of quarters.

Number.		£	£
	<b>DIVISION No. 83.</b>		
	<b>TELEGRAPH BRANCH.</b>		
1	Telegraph Superintendent ... ..	501	
	<b>LOCOMOTIVE BRANCH.</b>		
1	Chief Mechanical Engineer ... ..	935	
1	Workshop Manager and Deputy Chief Mechanical Engineer	501	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	460	
1	Locomotive Running Superintendent ... ..	501	
6	District Locomotive Inspectors (one for six months, £230) ...	1,844	
3	Locomotive Foremen ... ..	874	
1	Chief Draughtsman ... ..	303	
<b>14</b>		<b>5,418</b>	
	<b>EXISTING LINES BRANCH.</b>		
1	Engineer for Existing Lines ... ..	792	
1	Chief Assistant Engineer ... ..	680	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	372	
9	Assistant Engineers (one for nine months, £358) ... ..	3,399	
1	Surveyor ... ..	367	
1	Draughtsman ... ..	335	
3	Superintending Inspectors ... ..	1,250	
8	Inspectors ... ..	2,515	
<b>25</b>		<b>9,660</b>	

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 83.		
	ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BRANCH.		
1	Engineer-in-Chief ... ..	1,063	
1	District Engineer ... ..	563	
4	Assistant Engineers ... ..	1,491	
3	Draughtsmen ... ..	1,037	
1	Field Assistant ... ..	307	
2	Clerks ... ..	713	
1	Lithographic Printer in Charge... ..	279	
13		5,453	
89	Total SALARIES of £300 and upwards ... ..	35,363	
	Total Salaries from £50 to £300 per annum ... ..	181,996	
	Total SALARIES* ... ..	217,359	
	Deduct Estimated Amount chargeable to Loans on account of Salaries of £300 per annum and upwards ... ..	7,000	
		210,359	
	Working expenses of all Lines during the year 1897-8, including Maintenance and Renewals, Locomotive, Traffic, and General Charges—		
	Maintenance and Renewals ... ..	394,000	
	Locomotive Charges ... ..	559,000	
	Traffic Charges ... ..	528,000	
	General Charges ... ..	48,500	
		1,529,500	
	Less Salaries ... ..	210,359	
		1,319,141	
	Total Division No. 83 ... ..	1,529,500	
	The sum of ... ..	...	1,146,500

\* The increase in the total is due to increments provided under the new classification, the transfer of a large number of employes from the daily-paid to the salaried staff, and the abolition by Parliament of the percentage deductions on salaries under £157 per annum.

DIVISION No. 84.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 1. Annual Allowances to late employés in the Government Railway Service—(Inalterable):—

	£ s. d.			Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£ s. d.			£	£
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
J. B. Blackburn ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218	15	0	219	
J. Jeremy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125	
A. P. Mathison ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400	
W. Cadwallader ...	276	0	0	208	6	8	67	13	4		
I. Chapman ...	227	8	2	213	3	11	14	4	3		
J. Galbraith ...	77	9	4	70	8	6	7	0	10		
F. Glenister ...	222	0	0	204	0	0	18	0	0		
W. Huffer ...	70	8	6	68	1	7	2	6	11		
A. Homewood ...	194	5	0	178	10	0	15	15	0		
T. Maddock ...	77	9	4	72	15	5	4	13	11		
P. McDonald ...	82	3	3	75	2	5	7	0	10		
P. O'Brien ...	51	14	2	47	2	11	4	11	3		
T. Phipps ...	84	10	2	77	9	4	7	0	10		
J. Richmond ...	146	4	5	132	10	3	13	14	2		
C. Thomson ...	176	0	3	157	16	1	18	4	2		
M. Toohy ...	77	9	4	75	2	5	2	6	11		
B. F. Wiseman ...	117	2	1	107	1	4	10	0	9		
J. Bruce ...	382	10	0	348	15	0	33	15	0		
							226	8	2	227	
2. Annual Allowances as Compensation:—											
Fanny K. Cooke—Allowance for permanent injuries received in Railway Collision at Sunbury, 1872 ...										70	
Helena A. Wilson—Allowance for permanent injury received in Railway Collision at Windsor, March, 1882 ...										52	
John Smith—Allowance for being disabled whilst in the execution of his duty as an Engine-cleaner ...										52	
Margaret Darcy—Allowance for permanent injury received at South Melbourne, March, 1889 ...										70	
Honora Rickard—Allowance for five years, commencing at 1st October, 1895, at £20 per annum, as mother of Elizabeth Agnes and Rachel Rickard, who were run over by a train on 4th September, 1888, the former being killed and the latter suffering from the loss of a limb... ..										20	
3. To pay Pensions, computed on the basis of section 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Officers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who were not entitled to Pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 ... ..										5,159	
4. To provide for the difference between the amount of Pension due and a minimum of £30 per annum payable to certain Officers who have retired under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 since 29th January, 1895 ... ..										442	
Total Division No. 84 ... ..										6,836	
The sum of ... ..										...	5,126

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

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

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

On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Wilkins 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 ending on the 30th June, 1898, the sum of £2,845,170 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.



17. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Sir George Turner 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 thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight 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.

Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir George Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins 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 George Turner, read a third time.

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

18. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as loans for water supply and irrigation works in the country districts and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money as Loans for Water Supply and Irrigation Works in the Country Districts 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 this day.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at five minutes past five o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

FRIDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. PAPER.—Sir George Turner presented—

Unclaimed Crown Grants.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th July, 1897, for a return showing—

1. The number of Crown grants remaining unclaimed at the Titles Office and various Treasury offices in the colony.
2. The amount of fees due in respect of such Crown grants.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MELBOURNE TO COLLINGWOOD RAILWAY.—Mr. H. R. Williams, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a direct line of railway from Melbourne to Collingwood be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 33.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murphy,	
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Wilkins.

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

Mr. A. L. Tucker moved, as an amendment, That the word "Collingwood" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the word "Fitzroy."

Debate continued.

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

Question—That the construction of a direct line of railway from Melbourne to Collingwood be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report—put. The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Wilkins.

Noes, 22.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until this day.
6. **COMPANIES ACT 1896 (REMOVAL OF DOUBTS) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **MINING COMPANIES' BRANCH REGISTERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs 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. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.

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

8. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. H. R. Williams, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

9. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Peacock moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Peacock and Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts,*" 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.

10. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill<sup>1</sup> having been read—Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir George Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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 George Turner, read a third time.

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 7 be postponed until this day.

12. INSTRUMENTS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.

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

13. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Best, read a third time.

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

14. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Best, read a third time.

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

Preamble, line 14, omit “committee” and insert “trustees.”

Clause 3, line 8, omit “committee” and insert “trustees.”

Clause 5, line 17, omit “committee” and insert “trustees.”

Same clause, line 22, omit “committee” and insert “trustees.”

Same clause, line 23, after “purchaser” insert “on behalf of the said trustees.”

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

15. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Best moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

16. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Best, read a third time.

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

17. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

*Marine Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

18. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

*Standing Orders Committee Report—To be considered.*

19. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Best, read a third time.

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

20. MILDURA TRUST LOAN ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:—

Clause 11, page 6, line 3, after “Victoria” insert “appearing by the books of the Registrar of Titles to be a mortgagee of the property and on every person in Victoria.”

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

21. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Peacock, read a third time.

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

Clause 3, line 14, after "sub-section" insert "of."

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

22. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Taverner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason 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. Taverner, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
23. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MELBOURNE TO COLLINGWOOD RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed direct Railway from Melbourne to Collingwood.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Outtrim, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Printing Committee.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

## 4. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented—

Sugar Duties.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 26th August, 1897, for a return showing—

1. The date when duties of Customs and Excise were first imposed on sugar in this colony.
2. The total amount collected on sugar up to the time the duties were increased in 1892 or 1893.
3. The total amount collected on sugar since the duties were increased.

Mr. H. R. Williams presented—

New Appointments in the Railway Department.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 21st July, 1897, for a return showing how many new appointments have been made in the Railway Service during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897—

1. The number of traffic superintendents and district traffic superintendents, and their clerks.
2. The number of inspectors and sub-inspectors in the various branches.
3. The salaries, showing increase (if any) and daily travelling allowances in each case.
4. On whose recommendation such appointments were made.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Defences and Discipline Act 1890—

Report of the Council of Defence for 1896-7.

Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—  
Order in Council.

Victorian Military Forces.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

Volunteer Cadet Corps.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining,*" 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,  
Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

(700 copies.)

6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the City of South Melbourne*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Land reserved as a site for Public Recreation in the Town of Geelong*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

7. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Best moved, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Right Honorable Richard John Seddon, the Premier of New Zealand.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. LABOUR COLONY.—Mr. Salmon moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction*," 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,  
Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

11. ALFRED GODDARD.—Mr. T. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.

Debate ensued.

Sir George Turner moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

12. MINING 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, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, omit all references to the numbers of sections throughout the clause.
2. " line 24, after " Lease " insert " and Pendency of Application."
3. " page 3, line 6, omit " (4) Provision for Mining Development."
4. After clause 15 insert new clause :—

CC. (1) In the event of the registration of a residence area being cancelled by order of a warden, the person who was registered as the holder thereof may within such time after the making of the order for such cancellation as may be fixed by the warden in such order remove any buildings plant machinery engines or tools on or within the land comprised in such residence area.

(2) If the said person does not remove such buildings plant machinery engines or tools within the time so fixed, the warden may upon the complaint of the person upon whose application such registration was cancelled or who is otherwise entitled to occupy such residence area call upon the said person to show cause within such time as the warden may allow why such buildings plant machinery engines or tools should not be sold by auction and removed.



(3) If the said person does not within such time remove such buildings plant machinery engines or tools or show sufficient cause, of which the warden shall be the sole judge, the warden may direct that such buildings plant machinery engines or tools be sold by public auction and be removed. The proceeds of the sale of such buildings plant machinery engines or tools after deducting the cost of selling or selling and removing the same shall be paid to such person or any person entitled to such buildings plant machinery engines or tools of whose claim the warden shall prior to such sale have received notice in writing.

5. Clause 26, line 20, after "Commissioner" insert "or any trust or any commissioners or any corporation (as the case may be)."

6. Clause 36, omit this clause and insert new clauses :—

AA. (1) In the event of a lease being declared void any person (in this and Right of new lessee after a certain time to purchase plant &c. of void lease. the next following section called the new lessee) who is granted a lease of the whole or any portion of the land held under the determined lease shall be entitled within two months after the expiration of the time fixed by the Governor in Council for the removal of any plant machinery engines or tools on or within the land comprised in such determined lease, to give notice to the lessee of the determined lease (in this and the next following section called the former lessee) of intention to purchase at a valuation the whole or any portion of any plant machinery engines or tools on or within the land comprised in such new lease.

(2) Such notice shall be in writing and shall specify such of the said plant machinery engines or tools as the new lessee so desires to purchase and shall state what price he is willing to pay for the same.

(3) The former lessee shall be deemed to be willing to accept and shall accept from the new lessee the price offered, unless within one month after receiving the said notice the former lessee in writing declines to accept the price offered, and desires the valuation to be determined by arbitration and informs the new lessee in writing of the name and description of some person whom he desires to act as his arbitrator.

(4) Unless within twenty-one days after being so informed the new lessee notifies in writing to the former lessee the name and description of some person whom he desires to act as his arbitrator, the arbitrator appointed by the former lessee shall act as a single arbitrator.

(5) Unless within fourteen days after the appointment of both arbitrators, the two arbitrators in writing appoint an umpire, then at the request of either the former lessee or the new lessee the Minister shall in writing appoint some fit and proper person to be umpire.

(6) The two arbitrators and the umpire shall sit together and hear evidence upon oath and call for the production of documents, and the amount of the valuation and the time within which the same shall be paid by the new lessee shall be determined by the arbitrators on a joint equitable basis. In the event of the arbitrators not agreeing upon a determination within fourteen days after such hearing the umpire shall within twenty-eight days after such hearing make a determination on a like basis. Every determination shall be final and conclusive and may be made a rule of the Supreme Court.

BB. (1) In the event of a lease being declared void the lessee of such lease or Removal of plant. other person entitled to any plant machinery engines or tools hereinafter mentioned may within such time being not less than six months after the publication of the notice that the lease has been declared void as may be fixed by the Governor in Council remove any plant machinery engines or tools on or within the land comprised in such lease but shall not remove or destroy any timber used in and for supporting the shafts drives galleries or adits in the mine nor any plant machinery engines or tools purchased by the new lessee.

(2) If the said lessee does not remove any such plant machinery engines or tools within the time so fixed, the Minister may call upon the said lessee or person to show cause within such time as the Minister may allow why such portion of the plant machinery engines or tools as in the opinion of the Minister interferes with the proper and efficient working of the mine should not be sold by auction and removed.

(3) If the said lessee or person does not within such time show sufficient cause, of which the Minister shall be the sole judge, the Minister may direct that such portion of the plant machinery engines or tools be sold by public auction and be removed. The proceeds of the sale of such plant machinery engines or tools after deducting the cost of selling and removing the same shall be paid to such former lessee or other person entitled to such plant machinery engines or tools of whose claim the Minister shall prior to such payment by him of any such proceeds have received notice in writing.

(4) The Minister shall determine whether or not any of such plant machinery engines or tools shall be allowed to remain on the land so leased, and, if so, for what period they may so remain, and what rent the former lessee shall pay to the new lessee for the use and occupation of the ground on which the same are allowed to remain.

7. Clause 49, line 1, after "before" insert "or after."

8. " line 6, omit "verified by affidavit."

9. " lines 7-8, omit "and before the commencement of this Act."

10. " line 9, omit "mining registrar" and insert "warden."

11. " line 15, omit "or to let a tribute in regard thereto."

12. " lines 18-19, omit "But in all cases one general permission to let a tribute is sufficient for the term of twelve months."

13. Clause 50, line 23, after "otherwise" insert "any lease issued under or in pursuance of such forfeiture or determination shall be subject to all the rights then existing of."

14. " line 24, after "sub-tributer" omit all the words to the end of sub-clause (1) and insert "unless such forfeiture or determination has been occasioned by the act or default of such person either alone or jointly with others."

15. " omit sub-clause (2).

16. Clause 51, line 44, omit "six" and insert "twelve."

17. " page 16, line 2, omit "six" and insert "twelve."

18. Clause 51, page 16, at the end of sub-clause (1) insert "Provided also that the Minister shall upon the written application of the said lessee fix a sum to be paid by the said lessee by way of rental for a period not exceeding five years for the surface of the land actually occupied by such tailings or other mine materials, and so long as the said lessee shall make due payment of the sum so fixed the preceding provisions of this section shall not apply."
19. Clause 57, omit paragraph (e).
20. After clause 57 insert new clauses:—
- DD. Notwithstanding anything contained in section eighty-nine of the Principal Act no person shall be eligible for election as a member of a mining board by virtue of holding a business licence unless he has held a business licence for and during the three months immediately preceding the last day appointed for the receiving of nominations of candidates; and no person shall be entitled to vote at any election of a member of any mining board by virtue of holding a business licence unless he has held a business licence for and during the three months immediately preceding the day on which the poll commences.
- EE. The persons nominating a candidate for election as a member of a mining board when forwarding to the registrar's office in writing the christian and surname of such candidate as required by section ninety-one of the Principal Act shall state in writing on the nomination paper the number date and place of issue of the miner's right or business licence (as the case may be) of the candidate and each of the persons nominating such candidate, and shall also produce to the returning officer for his inspection each of the said miners' rights and business licences and also a copy of the newspaper in which the candidate's name shall have been published pursuant to the provisions of the said section.
- FF. No person being an uncertificated insolvent shall be capable of being elected a member of a mining board.
21. Clause 61, line 38, omit "226."
22. Clause 62, page 20, line 37, after "has" insert "with the consent of the lessee or owner of the mine."
23. Clause 66, line 45, omit "fifty" and insert "one hundred."
24. " page 24, at end of sub-clause (5) add "Provided that this sub-section shall not apply to any lease granted with the consent in writing of the owners or trustees of the land on which any church or other place registered as a place of worship is situated, and also with the consent in writing of the head or authorized representative of the denomination to which such church or place of worship belongs."
25. Clause 67, line 36, after "lands" insert "or is the owner of land included in the application."
26. " page 25, line 9, omit "at the expense of the lessee."
27. Clause 68, page 26, line 1, omit "fifty-seven" and insert "sixty-six."
28. " at end of sub-clause (5) add "and as to private land mentioned in sub-clause (5) of clause sixty-six except with the consent of the head or authorized representative of the denomination to which such land belongs."
29. " at end of clause add new sub-clause:—  
(5a) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore in this section provided, no such holder or person shall be entitled to enter for the purpose of marking out any part of any private land as defined by section sixty-two (a) unless he has first obtained from the warden a written authority so to do. The warden may grant such authority on receiving from such holder or person a statutory declaration to the effect that he believes the land to be auriferous and gives his reasons for such belief and such holder or person shall whenever required so to do produce such written authority to the owner and occupier of such private land or their agent. The application may be made to the warden personally or in writing through the post, and the warden may if satisfied of the *bona fides* of such application and if he thinks fit without reference to the owner or occupier of the land required to be entered upon grant authority in writing to enter and mark out as aforesaid within a time limited by him.
30. Clause 69, at end of clause add "or in case no compensation is payable the same shall have been certified in manner aforesaid. If the owner or trustees be dead or cannot be found such payment may be made to the Minister in trust for the owner or trustees."
31. Clause 70, omit sub-clauses (3), (4), and (5).
32. Clause 71, omit "fifty-three" wherever it occurs and insert "sixty-two."
33. Clause 72, at end of clause add new sub-clause—  
(4a) Any application for a lease or marking out for a lease or as a claim may be abandoned at any time by the applicant giving notice thereof in writing to the Minister (by leaving the same with the warden) and to the owner and occupier the applicant or claim-holder also paying to the owner and occupier such costs as the warden shall allow."
34. Clause 86, line 32, after "take" insert "for mining purposes."
35. Page 32, line 33, omit "89" and insert "88."
36. " line 35, after "regulations" insert "and shall have priority in respect of such application."
37. " line 39, omit "six" and insert "twelve."
38. Clause 90, line 11, omit "six" and insert "twelve."
39. " line 12, omit "six" and insert "twelve."
40. Page 34, line 34, in the headline, after "Lease" insert "and Pendency of Application."

41. Clause 92, line 44, omit "fifty-three" and insert "seventy-one."
42. " page 35, line 4, omit "fifty-three" and insert "sixty-two."
43. Clause 97, line 24, after "upon" insert "or within the prohibited distance within the meaning of section sixty-four sub-section (d) and section sixty-six sub-section (5) from."
44. Clause 98, line 34, after "surveyors" omit "or" and insert "either alone or together with."
45. Clause 99, line 44, after "adjoining" insert "or within the prohibited distance within the meaning of section sixty-four sub-section (d) and section sixty-six sub-section (5) of."
46. " page 38, line 9, after "upon" insert "or within the prohibited distance within the meaning of section sixty-four sub-section (d) and section sixty-six sub-section (5) of."
47. " same page and line, after "owner" insert "trustee or occupier."
48. Clause 100, at end of clause add "Provided that the person or persons authorized by such order pays all costs attending such inspection such costs to be fixed by the warden."
49. Clause 110, page 41, line 2, after "thereto" insert "or from or to any shaft or works thereon."
50. Clause 115, line 39, omit "for" and insert "or determined by reason of any."
51. " same line, omit "of the same" and insert "or conditions or otherwise any lease issued or claim taken possession of under or in pursuance of such forfeiture or determination shall be subject to all the rights then existing of."
52. " line 40, after "sub-tributer" omit all the words to the end of sub-clause (1) and insert "as effectually as if such rights had been granted by the new lessee or claim-holder."
53. " page 42, omit sub-clause (2).
54. Clause 116, lines 14-15, omit "or of any premises thereupon or to let a tribute in regard thereto."
55. Clause 128, page 45, line 3, omit "or other."
56. " same page, line 4, after "emergency" add "or necessity."
57. Clause 130, same page, line 19, after "shall" insert "if considered necessary."
58. " same page, line 21, after "drives" insert "where the works are not more than three hundred feet apart."
59. " page 46, line 41, omit "and whitewashed regularly to indicate the positions of same."
60. " same page, after rule 6, insert new rule—  
6A. "At all plats where hauling operations are carried on doors shall be fixed with a lever or handle attached whereby the said doors can be safely lowered into position or raised without possible danger to the person performing the duty."
61. " page 47, line 15, at end of line add "where the shaft exceeds one hundred feet in depth."
62. " same page, line 25, omit "twenty" and insert "fifty."
63. " page 47, line 33, omit "determined" and insert "prescribed."
64. " same page, line 51, after "buckets" insert "or skips."
65. " same page and line, at end of line add "or for raising or lowering mining material mine products or débris."
66. " same page, line 52, after "men" insert "to a greater depth than two hundred feet."
67. " same page, line 57, omit "whether" and insert "where"; omit "be" and insert "is"; and omit "or not."
68. " page 48, line 2, after "power" insert "erected after the passing of this Act."
69. " same page, line 5, omit "double."
70. " same page, line 6, after "position" insert "of each."
71. " same page, line 19, omit "side of the shaft" and insert "sole piece of the plat set."
72. " same page, after rule 24 insert new rule—  
24A. "Gates shall be used in all shafts where hauling is done with cages. Such gates shall be secured to the sole plates of the plat sets so that they can be easily placed over the shaft and raised without any trouble and fixed to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Mines."
73. " same page, line 22, omit "not nearer than one hundred feet to the" and insert "and not in the engine-house or."
74. " same page, line 30, omit "periodically."
75. " same page and line, omit all the words after "tested at" to the end of rule 26 and insert "such intervals as an Inspector of Mines may require."
76. " same page, at end of rule 28 insert "unless in any case the Inspector of Mines certifies in writing that the underground workings are so shallow that the services of an engine-driver are not necessary."
77. " same page, line 47, omit "gas."
78. " page 49, line 1, after "Every" insert "new."
79. " same page, line 11, omit "test and"; after "cleansing" insert "and test under this rule."
80. " same page, line 13, after "mine" insert "or by an engine-driver or braceman."
81. " same page, line 45, omit "month" and insert "two months."
82. Page 50, lines 26-7, omit all the words after "subdivision 3" in the headline and insert "Board of Examiners for Engine-drivers."
83. Clause 133, lines 28-9, omit "for mining managers and a board of examiners."
84. " line 29, omit "respectively."
85. " line 31, omit "Each of the said boards" and insert "The said Board."
86. " line 33, omit "mining managers and."

87. Clause 133, line 33, omit "respectively."
88. Clause 134, page 51, line 2, after "mine" insert "in which more than twelve men are employed."
89. " same page, line 4, omit "Fifty" and insert "Twenty."
90. " same page, line 5, after "and" insert "for a second offence to a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds and."
91. " same page and line, omit "Ten" and insert "Five."
92. Clause 135, omit this clause.
93. Clause 136, omit this clause.
94. Clause 137, omit this clause.
95. Clause 138, omit this clause.
96. After clause 138 insert new clause—
- 138A. No person shall be entitled to recover damages against any owner or employer in respect of any injury sustained by any accident unless the following conditions are complied with or in case such last-mentioned person may have died within the time hereinafter allowed for giving notice by the one of such conditions which is numbered (I.) the one of such conditions which is numbered (III.) is complied with:—
- (I.) That notice in writing stating the name and address of the person injured the nature of the accident and the time and place at which it took place be given to the owner or employer within one month after the occurrence of the accident or the plaintiff show some sufficient reason why the person injured or the owner of such property was unable to give such notice.
- (II.) That in case of injury to the person the person injured permit himself to be examined by any legally qualified medical practitioner appointed on behalf of the owner or employer and if in a fit state so to do answer fully such reasonable inquiries of such medical practitioner as may be necessary to enable him to ascertain the extent of the injury.
- (III.) That one month's notice in writing of the action or proceeding be given to the owner or employer setting forth the particulars of demand so far as the same can be reasonably supplied and naming a time and place at which accounts and vouchers for the same can be inspected.
- (IV.) That the action or proceeding be commenced within one year after the act complained of happened or was committed.
- Not less than one month after the service of notice of an action or proceeding for any such cause as aforesaid a suit as in the last preceding section be instituted before a warden or an action for such cause may subject to the provisions of any law for the time being in force as to the venue of County Court actions be brought in any County Court whatever be the amount claimed and except as hereinafter mentioned such action shall not be brought in the Supreme Court. Provided always that if it appear to any Judge of the Supreme Court on application of either party that such action ought more properly to be brought in the Supreme Court such Judge may order that such action be brought in the Supreme Court or if it be already commenced be transferred to the Supreme Court.
- If any action or proceeding for any such cause as aforesaid is commenced by any plaintiff when the conditions hereinbefore contained have not been complied with and the defendant is able to prove by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court in which the action is pending that such is the case such court may order such action to be stayed or dismissed.
97. Clause 139, omit this clause.
98. Clause 140, line 45, omit "certificated."
99. Clause 142, line 23, omit "gas."
100. " line 25, after "pumping" insert "or for crushing concentrating or treating mine products."
101. " line 27, after "winches" insert "sinking pumps."
102. Clause 143, page 54, line 3, omit "gas."
103. Clause 144, line 13, omit "steam is generated for heating water" and insert "water is heated to generate steam."
104. Clause 145, line 37, omit "two weeks" and insert "one month."
105. Clause 147, omit sub-clause (2).
106. " lines 39-40, omit "and the decision of the warden or of the warden and assessors shall be final."
107. Clause 149, page 57, lines 6-9, omit "Whenever the person whose death may have occurred was a member of the Amalgamated Miners' Association of Victoria or any branch thereof a representative of such association and a member of any engine-drivers' association or any mine managers' association may" and insert "The next of kin or the executor of the person whose death may have occurred may authorize any person in writing to."
108. " same page, line 10, after "and" insert "who."
109. Clause 150, omit this clause, and insert new clause—
- A. Every person who contravenes or does not comply with any of the provisions of this Division of this Part of this Act or who is guilty of negligence by which any person is injured or killed either by himself his agent or servant, shall be guilty of an offence against this Division of this Part of this Act.

110. Clause 158, line 21, at end of line add "of the district."  
 111. Clause 159, lines 34-5, omit "and the decision of the warden shall be final and conclusive and without appeal."  
 112. Clause 160, at end of sub-clause (1) add "unless the parties shall otherwise agree."  
 113. Clause 161, line 12, after "shall" insert "after payment of the cost of crushing."  
 114. Clause 163, line 28, after "concentrates" insert "when practicable."  
 115. Clause 164, line 32, after "may" insert "cancel the tribute and if the tributers shall be dissatisfied they may within seven days after cancellation."  
 116. Clause 167, line 27, omit "nor" and insert "not."  
 117. " " line 32, omit "four months" and insert "one month."  
 118. Clause 168, omit this clause and the headline.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3 disagreed with.

Amendment 4 agreed to.

Amendment 5 disagreed with.

Amendment 6 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In clause AA—

Line 4, omit "two months" and insert "one month"; omit "any" and insert "the."

Line 8, after "lease" insert "and not then removed."

Sub-section (3), line 2, omit "one month" and insert "fourteen days."

Sub-section (4), line 1, omit "twenty-one" and insert "seven."

Sub-section (5), line 1, omit "fourteen" and insert "seven."

Sub-section (6), line 4, omit "fourteen" and insert "seven," and in line 5 omit "twenty-eight" and insert "seven."

In clause BB—

Line 3, omit "being not less than six months."

Amendments 7 to 12 disagreed with.

Amendment 13 agreed to.

Amendment 14 agreed to with the following amendment :—

After the word "others" add "Any tribute agreement which at the time of the forfeiture or determination of the lease existed between the lessee and the tributer shall in the event of a new lease being granted be deemed to continue between the new lessee and the tributer. Provided that such agreement shall not run during such period (if any) as the tributer is by reason of the forfeiture prevented from working his tribute, and the tribute agreement shall be deemed to be extended for such period beyond the time at which it would otherwise have terminated."

Amendments 15 to 17 agreed to.

Amendments 18 and 19 disagreed with.

Amendment 20 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In clause EE, line 2, omit "registrar's," and after "office" insert "of the returning officer."

Amendment 21 disagreed with.

Amendments 22 to 24 agreed to.

Amendment 25 disagreed with and the following consequential amendment made in the clause :—

Line 34, after "that" insert "he is the owner of the land included in the application or that."

Amendments 26 to 28 agreed to.

Amendment 29 disagreed with.

Amendment 30 agreed to.

Amendment 31 disagreed with.

Amendments 32 to 50 agreed to.

Amendments 51, 52, and 53 agreed to with the following amendments :—

Instead of inserting the words "as effectually as if such rights had been granted by the new lessee or claim-holder" insert the following :—"Any tribute agreement which at the time of the forfeiture or determination of the lease existed between the lessee or the tributer shall in the event of a new lease being granted be deemed to continue between the new lessee and the tributer. Provided that such agreement shall not run during such period (if any) as the tributer is by reason of the forfeiture prevented from working his tribute, and the tribute agreement shall be deemed to be extended for such period beyond the time at which it would otherwise have terminated."

Amendment 54 disagreed with.

Amendments 55 and 56 agreed to.

Amendment 57 agreed to with the following amendment :—

After "necessary" insert "by the Inspector of Mines."

Amendment 58 to 61 agreed to.

Amendment 62 disagreed with.

Amendments 63 to 65 agreed to.

Amendments 66 and 67 disagreed with.

Amendments 68 to 74 agreed to.

Amendment 75 disagreed with and the following consequential amendment made :—

After "tested at" omit "intervals of not more than three months" and insert "such intervals as an Inspector of Mines may require."

Amendment 76 agreed to.

Amendments 77 and 78 disagreed with.  
 Amendments 79 to 81 agreed to.  
 Amendments 82 to 87 disagreed with.  
 Amendment 88 agreed to with the following amendment :—

Omit "twelve" and insert "six."

Amendments 89 to 91 agreed to.  
 Amendments 92 to 100 disagreed with.  
 Amendment 101 agreed to.  
 Amendment 102 disagreed with.  
 Amendments 103 and 104 agreed to.  
 Amendments 105 to 109 disagreed with.  
 Amendment 110 agreed to.  
 Amendment 111 disagreed with.  
 Amendments 112 and 113 agreed to.  
 Amendments 114 and 115 disagreed with.  
 Amendment 116 agreed to.  
 Amendments 117 and 118 disagreed with.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments, and have made certain consequential amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Mr. Deakin, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Keeping of Branch Registers by No-liability Mining Companies*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
 President.

Legislative Council,  
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to remove certain Doubts as to the operation of Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
 President.

Legislative Council,  
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
 President.

Legislative Council,  
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1897.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

17. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, page 2, lines 4-9, omit "A two-feet narrow-gauge railway commencing at or near the Lilydale Railway Station, and terminating at or near the Yarra Junction Township in the parish of Woori Yallock, in the line and upon the lands described in the Schedule to this Act, to be called the Lilydale to Yarra Junction Railway" and insert "A railway having a gauge of five feet three inches commencing on the Lilydale and Healesville Railway between Lilydale and Coldstream stations and terminating at or near the township of Yarra Junction in the parish of Woori Yallock, in the line and upon the lands described in the Schedule hereto, to be called the Lilydale to Yarra Junction Railway."

2. Clause 5, lines 25-6, omit "Two thousand."

3. Schedule, omit the Schedule and insert new Schedule :—

LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY.

Commencing on the Lilydale and Healesville line, between Lilydale and Coldstream stations, and proceeding thence in an easterly direction for about  $17\frac{1}{4}$  miles, passing through sections 24, 25, and 26, in the parish of Yering; through allotments 38, 37, 3, 4, and 5A, in the parish of Gruyere;

through allotments 139, 88, 89, 70, and 91, in the township of Seville, and allotment 92, in the parish of Wandin Yallock; through allotments 10b, 11, 30, and 12, Steel's Flat pre-emptive right, allotments 13, 14, and 15, in the parish of Gruyere; through allotments 1 and 2 of section A, section B, allotment 4 of section C, allotments 1 and 2 of section E, allotments 1 and 2 of section G, allotment 1 of section H, sections I, K, L, M, N<sup>1</sup>, and N, allotments 42(c<sup>1</sup>), 43(c<sup>2</sup>), 82(d), 41, and 40, and allotment 1 of section A, through a quarry site in a township reserve; through allotments 79, 38, 80, and 52A, into and terminating in allotment 52B, near the township of Yarra Junction, in the parish of Woori Yallock.

Limit of deviation, 2 miles.

Sir George Turner moved, That the question whether the Lilydale to Yarra Junction Railway shall be constructed on a broad or narrow gauge shall be referred to the Standing Committee on Railways for further inquiry and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 49.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McCay.

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Mr. Irvinc,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Salmon.
Mr. McLellan,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the amendments be postponed until to-morrow.

18. **MILDURA TRUST LOAN ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Insert new clauses—

A. Should any dispute arise between any mortgagor to Chaffey Brothers Limited and any other person as to the amount due by such mortgagor under the provisions of his mortgage the amount due shall be decided by the liquidators for the time being of the company styled Chaffey Brothers Limited who shall at the request of either the mortgagor or mortgagee or the holder of any such mortgage give a certificate of the amount so due and such certificate shall be conclusive and binding on both the mortgagor and the holder of the mortgage securities.

B. Nothing in this Act or in the *Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896* shall operate to prevent any mortgagor to Chaffey Brothers Limited entering into or making any agreement as to repayment of his loan or the interest thereon which he may deem advisable or to prevent the trustees receivers or liquidators or other the assigns of Chaffey Brothers Limited consenting to any such agreement.

C. Nothing contained in section one hundred and fifty-three of the *Companies Act 1896* shall operate to prevent the secured creditors of Chaffey Brothers Limited charging and receiving in the winding up of that company interest on the amount of the debts due by the company.

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

19. **COMPANIES ACT 1896 (REMOVAL OF DOUBTS) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

After clause 2 insert new clause—

A. In sub-section (2) (b) of section thirty-one of the *Companies Act 1896* after the word "Wales" the words "or of the Society of Accountants in Edinburgh the Institute of Accountants and Actuaries in Glasgow the Society of Accountants in Aberdeen" shall as from the commencement of the said Act be deemed to have been inserted.

Clause 3, line 18, omit "one" and insert "two."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the said amendments be disagreed with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

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

WEDNESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 1897.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to one of their amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the amendments not agreed to were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 80, omit this clause ... } Disagreed with by the Legislative Council.

Insert the following new clauses :—

2. (To follow clause 59)—

AA. (1) All dividends in insolvent estates in the hands of any assignee or trustee at the commencement of this Act and which have not been claimed by the parties entitled thereto for the space of six months next after the same have been or shall be payable shall unless the court shall otherwise order be paid into the Insolvency Unclaimed Dividend Fund to be dealt with as to principal and interest as provided in section one hundred and twenty-seven of the Principal Act.

(2) All dividends in estates administered or partly administered under the provisions of the Insolvency Acts which shall be unclaimed by the parties entitled thereto for the space of six months next after the same shall be payable shall unless the court shall otherwise order be paid into Her Majesty's Treasury to the credit of the said fund to be dealt with as to principal and interest as in the aforesaid section provided.

(3) In this section "insolvent estates" and "estates" shall include not only estates in insolvency but also estates in liquidation by arrangement and compositions under sections one hundred and fifty-three and one hundred and fifty-four respectively of the Principal Act.

3. (To follow clause 93)—

BB. (1) At any time within two years after the absolute grant of a certificate of discharge or after the taking effect of a suspended or conditional grant of certificate the Supreme Court may, on the application of the trustee or of any creditor, revoke the grant of the certificate of discharge if after notice to the insolvent any facts are established to the satisfaction of the court which had they been made known to the court at the time of granting such certificate would have justified the court in refusing to grant the same or in imposing any other conditions precedent to its taking effect.

(2) No such application for a revocation of the grant of a certificate of discharge shall be entertained if the facts upon which it is intended to be based were known to or could be ascertained by the trustee or the creditor making the application at the time of the granting of the certificate sought to be revoked.

(3) The revocation of any grant of a certificate of discharge shall not prejudice or affect the rights or remedies which any other person in good faith would have had in case such revocation had not been made and any property which the insolvent may have acquired since the granting of the certificate which is revoked and which remains vested in him at the date of such revocation shall vest in the trustee or in some other trustee when duly appointed and confirmed as in an ordinary case of insolvency subject to any *bond fide* encumbrances thereon and shall first be applied by the trustee in satisfaction of debts incurred by the insolvent since the date of the certificate so revoked.

Agreed to by the Legislative Council with the following amendments:—Sub-clause (3), omit "and compositions"; omit "sections" and insert "section"; and omit "and one hundred and fifty-four respectively."

Disagreed with by the Legislative Council.



- (4) After the revocation of such certificate the court may then or at any subsequent time grant a new certificate of discharge either absolute suspended or conditional as hereinbefore provided.
4. (To follow clause 117)—  
 DD. (1) There shall out of every estate being administered after the commencement of this Act be paid into the Treasury of Victoria towards the expenses of administering the Insolvency Acts such sum not less than one-eighth of a pound or not exceeding One pound per centum on the gross produce from time to time of any such estate, and a scale within the limits aforesaid and the time or times of payment may be fixed and varied from time to time by any regulations of the Governor in Council, and such regulations shall within ten days after the making thereof be laid before both Houses of Parliament or if Parliament be not then sitting then within ten days from the date of its meeting.
- (2) Every such payment shall be made by the Chief Clerk the assignee or trustee as the court shall direct.
- (3) "Estate administered" in this section shall include estate in insolvency, or in liquidation by arrangement, a composition with creditors under Part IX. of the Principal Act, and properly assigned by or dealt with under a deed of arrangement as defined by this Act and made after the commencement of this Act.

Disagreed with by the Legislative Council.

Amendment 1 insisted on.

Amendment 2, as amended by the Legislative Council, agreed to.

Amendment 3 not insisted on.

Amendment 4 insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on one of their amendments in this Bill with which the Legislative Council have disagreed, that they do insist on two of their amendments, and have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to insert new clause AA.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to remove certain Doubts as to the operation of Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments, and do insist on another disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
 President.

Legislative Council,  
 Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

And the amendment insisted on was read and is as follows :—

After clause 2 insert new clause—

A. In sub-section (2) (b) of section thirty-one of the *Companies Act 1896* after the word "Wales" the words "or of the Society of Accountants in Edinburgh the Institute of Accountants and Actuaries in Glasgow the Societies of Accountants in Aberdeen" shall as from the commencement of the said Act be deemed to have been inserted.

On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House resolved not to insist on disagreeing with this amendment.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment to insert new clause A insisted on by the Legislative Council.

22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day General Business be postponed until this day.
23. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past eleven o'clock this day.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at nine minutes past three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,  
 Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

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 WEDNESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 14.*

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

*“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and twenty-nine thousand and ninety-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven.”*

Parliament Houses,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Governor desires this Honorable House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Public Bill, viz.:—

*“An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.”*

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the sale of certain Crown Land in the County of Bendigo, City of Bendigo,*” without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Lands in the municipal district of Hamilton*” without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the parish of Sale and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of a portion of the Bairnsdale Race-course Reserve*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Burgesses of the Town of Geelong to grant a lease of certain Lands in the Parish of Moorpanyal to the Western and Wimmera Districts of Victoria Freezing Company Limited and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of the Gisborne Cricket Reserve*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the parish of Eddington*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of the Trades Hall Site at Geelong*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Town of St. Arnaud*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the 'Local Government Act 1890' and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Mallee Tanks Act 1895'*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

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 as Loans for Water Supply and Irrigation Works in the Country Districts and for other purposes*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Instruments Act 1890'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to omit Clause 80, and do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to insert new clause DD in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they insist on others, that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, and they have disagreed with other of the said amendments.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

And the amendments not disposed of were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

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|   | How dealt with.  |
| 1. Clause 3, page 3, line 6, omit "(4) Provision for Mining Development." | Disagreed with } Insisted on<br>by Assembly. } by Council. |
| 2. Clause 36, omit this clause and insert new clause:—                    |  |

BB. (1) In the event of a lease being declared void the lessee of such lease or other person entitled to any plant machinery engines or tools hereinafter mentioned may within such time being not less than six months after the publication of the notice that the lease has been declared void as may be fixed by the Governor in Council remove any plant machinery engines or tools on or within the land comprised in such lease but shall not remove or destroy any timber used in and for supporting the shafts drives galleries or adits in the mine nor any plant machinery engines or tools purchased by the new lessee.

(2) If the said lessee does not remove any such plant machinery engines or tools within the time so fixed, the Minister may call upon the said lessee or person to show cause within such time as the Minister may allow why such portion of the plant machinery engines or tools as in the opinion of the Minister interferes with the proper and efficient working of the mine should not be sold by auction and removed.

(3) If the said lessee or person does not within such time show sufficient cause, of which the Minister shall be the sole judge, the Minister may direct that such portion of the plant machinery engines or tools be sold by public auction and be removed. The proceeds of the sale of such plant machinery engines or tools after deducting the cost of selling or selling and removing the same shall be paid to such former lessee or other person entitled to such plant machinery engines or tools of whose claim the Minister shall prior to such payment by him of any such proceeds have received notice in writing.

(4) The Minister shall determine whether or not any of such plant machinery engines or tools shall be allowed to remain on the land so leased, and, if so, for what period they may so remain, and what rent the former lessee shall pay to the new lessee for the use and occupation of the ground on which the same are allowed to remain.

Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment:—  
Line 4, omit "being not less than six months."  
Disagreed with by Council.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
3. Clause 49, line 1, after "before" insert "or after."	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
4. " line 6, omit "verified by affidavit."	
5. " lines 7-8, omit "and before the commencement of this Act."	
6. " line 9, omit "mining registrar" and insert "warden."	
7. " line 15, omit "or to let a tribute in regard thereto."	
8. " lines 18-19, omit "But in all cases one general permission to let a tribute is sufficient for the term of twelve months."	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
9. Clause 51, page 16, at the end of sub-clause (1) insert "Provided also that the Minister shall upon the written application of the said lessee fix a sum to be paid by the said lessee by way of rental for a period not exceeding five years for the surface of the land actually occupied by such tailings or other mine materials, and so long as the said lessee shall make due payment of the sum so fixed the preceding provisions of this section shall not apply."	
10. Clause 57, omit paragraph (e).	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
11. Clause 68, at end of clause add new sub-clause :— (5a) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore in this section provided, no such holder or person shall be entitled to enter for the purpose of marking out any part of any private land as defined by section sixty-two (a) unless he has first obtained from the warden a written authority so to do. The warden may grant such authority on receiving from such holder or person a statutory declaration to the effect that he believes the land to be auriferous and gives his reasons for such belief and such holder or person shall whenever required so to do produce such written authority to the owner and occupier of such private land or their agent. The application may be made to the warden personally or in writing through the post, and the warden may if satisfied of the <i>bona fides</i> of such application and if he thinks fit without reference to the owner or occupier of the land required to be entered upon grant authority in writing to enter and mark out as aforesaid within a time limit by him.	
12. Clause 70, omit sub-clauses (3), (4), and (5).	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
13. Clause 116, lines 14-15, omit "or of any premises thereupon or to let a tribute in regard thereto."	
14. Clause 130, page 47, line 57, omit "whether" and insert "where"; omit "be" and insert "is"; and omit "or not."	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
15. " page 48, line 47, omit "gas."	
16. " page 49, line 1, after "Every" insert "new."	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
17. Page 50, lines 26-7, omit all the words after "subdivision 3" in the headline and insert "Board of Examiners for Engine-drivers."	
18. Clause 133, lines 28-9, omit "for mining managers and a board of examiners."	Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
19. " line 29, omit "respectively."	
20. " line 31, omit "Each of the said boards" and insert "The said Board."	
21. " line 33, omit "mining managers and."	
22. " same line, omit "respectively."	
23. Clause 134, page 51, line 2, after "mine" insert "in which more than twelve men are employed."	Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment :— Omit "twelve" and insert "six."
	Insisted on by Council and amendment of Assembly disagreed with.

## Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

24. Clause 135, omit this clause.  
 25. Clause 136, omit this clause.  
 26. Clause 137, omit this clause.  
 27. Clause 138, omit this clause.

28. After clause 138 insert new clause :—

138A. No person shall be entitled to recover damages against any owner or employer in respect of any injury sustained by any accident unless the following conditions are complied with or in case such last-mentioned person may have died within the time hereinafter allowed for giving notice by the one of such conditions which is numbered (I.) the one of such conditions which is numbered (III.) is complied with :—

- (I.) That notice in writing stating the name and address of the person injured the nature of the accident and the time and place at which it took place be given to the owner or employer within one month after the occurrence of the accident or the plaintiff show some sufficient reason why the person injured or the owner of such property was unable to give such notice.  
 (II.) That in case of injury to the person the person injured permit himself to be examined by any legally qualified medical practitioner appointed on behalf of the owner or employer and if in a fit state so to do answer fully such reasonable inquiries of such medical practitioner as may be necessary to enable him to ascertain the extent of the injury.  
 (III.) That one month's notice in writing of the action or proceeding be given to the owner or employer setting forth the particulars of demand so far as the same can be reasonably supplied and naming a time and place at which accounts and vouchers for the same can be inspected.  
 (IV.) That the action or proceeding be commenced within one year after the act complained of happened or was committed.

Not less than one month after the service of notice of an action or proceeding for any such cause as aforesaid a suit as in the last preceding section be instituted before a warden or an action for such cause may subject to the provisions of any law for the time being in force as to the venue of County Court actions be brought in any County Court whatever be the amount claimed and except as hereinafter mentioned such action shall not be brought in the Supreme Court. Provided always that if it appear to any Judge of the Supreme Court on application of either party that such action ought more properly to be brought in the Supreme Court such Judge may order that such action be brought in the Supreme Court or if it be already commenced be transferred to the Supreme Court.

If any action or proceeding for any such cause as aforesaid is commenced by any plaintiff when the conditions hereinbefore contained have not been complied with and the defendant is able to prove by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court in which the action is pending that such is the case such court may order such action to be stayed or dismissed.

29. Clause 139, omit this clause.  
 30. Clause 140, line 45, omit "certificated."  
 31. Clause 142, line 23, omit "gas."  
 32. Clause 143, page 54, line 3, omit "gas."  
 33. Clause 147, omit sub-clause (2).  
 34. " lines 39-40, omit "and the decision of the warden or of the warden and assessors shall be final."  
 35. Clause 149, page 57, lines 6-9, omit "Whenever the person whose death may have occurred was a member of the Amalgamated Miners' Association of Victoria or any branch thereof a representative of such association and a member of any engine-drivers' association or any mine managers' association may" and insert "The next of kin or the executor of the person whose death may have occurred may authorize any person in writing to."  
 36. " same page, line 10, after "and" insert "who."

Disagreed with by  
 Assembly.

Insisted on  
 by Council.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
37. Clause 150, omit this clause, and insert new clause:— A. Every person who contravenes or does not comply with any of the provisions of this Division of this Part of this Act or who is guilty of negligence by which any person is injured or killed either by himself his agent or servant, shall be guilty of an offence against this Division of this Part of this Act.	Disagreed with by Assembly. <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 2em;">}</div> Insisted on by Council.
38. Clause 159, lines 34–5, omit “and the decision of the warden shall be final and conclusive and without appeal.”	
39. Clause 164, line 32, after “may” insert “cancel the tribute and if the tributers shall be dissatisfied they may within seven days after cancellation.”	
40. Clause 167, line 32, omit “four months” and insert “one month.”	
41. Clause 168, omit this clause and the headline.	

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendment 1, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 2, amendment of Assembly on amendment of Council not insisted on, but the following consequential amendment made:—Omit “six” and insert “three.”

Amendments 3 to 8, disagreement insisted on.

Amendments 9 and 10, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendments 11 to 14, disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 15, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 16, disagreement insisted on.

Amendments 17 to 22, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 23, amendment of Assembly not insisted on and Council’s amendment agreed to.

Amendments 24 to 27, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 28, disagreement not insisted on, but the following consequential amendments made:—  
Omit all the words from the beginning of the clause down to and including the word “may,” in line 28, and insert—

“Every action to recover damages against any owner or employer in respect of any injury sustained by reason of an accident in a mine shall.”

Omit the last five lines of the clause and insert the following:—

“Provided further that there shall be the same right of appeal from the County Court to the Supreme Court as in other cases of actions brought in the County Court.”

Amendments 29 to 34, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendments 35 and 36, disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 37, disagreement not insisted on, but the following consequential amendment made:—  
Before “injured” insert “or might be.”

Amendment 38, disagreement not insisted on.

Amendment 39, disagreement insisted on.

Amendment 40, disagreement not insisted on, but the following consequential amendment made:—  
Omit “one month” and insert “two months.”

Amendment 41, disagreement not insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, do insist on disagreeing with others of the said amendments, and have made certain consequential amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the consequential amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, that they do not now insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and still insist on other of the said amendments disagreed with.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

And the amendments not disposed of were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

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| 1. Clause 68, at end of clause add new sub-clause:—<br>(5a) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore in this section provided, no such holder or person shall be entitled to enter for the purpose of marking out any part of any private land as defined by section sixty-two (a) unless he has first obtained from the warden a written authority so to do. The warden may grant such authority on receiving from such holder or person a statutory declaration to the effect that he believes the | } |
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## Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

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| <p>land to be auriferous and gives his reasons for such belief and such holder or person shall whenever required so to do produce such written authority to the owner and occupier of such private land or their agent. The application may be made to the warden personally or in writing through the post, and the warden may if satisfied of the <i>bona fides</i> of such application and if he thinks fit without reference to the owner or occupier of the land required to be entered upon grant authority in writing to enter and mark out as aforesaid within a time limit by him.</p> | } Disagreed with by Assembly; insisted on by Council; disagreement insisted on by Assembly. | { Still insisted on by Council. |
| <p>2. Clause 70, omit sub-clauses (3), (4), and (5).</p>  |   |                                 |
| <p>3. Clause 149, page 57, lines 6-9, omit "Whenever the person whose death may have occurred was a member of the Amalgamated Miners' Association of Victoria or any branch thereof a representative of such association and a member of any engine-drivers' association or any mine managers' association may" and insert "The next of kin or the executor of the person whose death may have occurred may authorize any person in writing to."</p>  | } Disagreed with by Assembly; insisted on by Council; disagreement insisted on by Assembly. | { Still insisted on by Council. |
| <p>4. " same page, line 10, after "and" insert "who."</p>   |   |                                 |
| <p>5. Clause 164, line 32, after "may" insert "cancel the tribute and if the tributers shall be dissatisfied they may within seven days after cancellation."</p>  |   |                                 |

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendment 1, disagreement not now insisted on, but the following consequential amendments made:—Line 5, after "warden" insert "the mining registrar or a justice of the peace." Lines 5 and 6, omit "The warden may grant such authority" and insert "Such authority may be granted." Lines 12 and 13, after "warden" insert "registrar or justice."

Amendments 2 to 5, disagreement not now insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments in such Bill still insisted on by the Legislative Council, and have made certain consequential amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the following amendment has been transmitted apparently in error by the Legislative Assembly in the said Bill, viz.:—

Clause 90, sub-sections (1), (2), (3), and (4) to be numbered (2), (3), (4), and (5) respectively.

The Legislative Council inform the Legislative Assembly that they have resolved to omit the said amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do concur with the Legislative Council in the omission of the said amendment.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly concur with the Legislative Council in the omission of the said amendment.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the consequential amendments of the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 68 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining*."

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st September, 1897.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business and General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, 14th September instant.



10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 14th September instant.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir George Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 14th September instant.

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk having, at the Table, informed the House that Mr. Speaker was in Sydney, attending the sitting of the Australasian Federal Convention, as one of the Representatives of Victoria, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Best, and the same was read:—

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 15.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Town of St. Arnaud*":—

Clause 2, fourth line, after "purposes" insert "shall."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 4th September, 1897.

On the motion of Mr. Best, the House agreed to the said amendment, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

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

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 16.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining*":—

Clause 1, first line, after "1897" insert "and shall come into operation on the first day of November, 1897."

Clause 2, first line, after "The" omit "Act," substitute "Acts."

" fifth line of clause, omit "effect," substitute "affect."

Clause 3, page 2, omit "for mining managers and."

" last line of page, omit "miners."

Clause 22, first line, omit "provision," substitute "provisions."

Clause 39, first line, omit "any such," substitute "pursuant to section thirty-one any."

Clause 73, page 28, sub-clause (5), first line, omit "sixty-six," substitute "seventy-one;" third and fourth lines, omit "sub-clause (5) of clause sixty-six," substitute "sub-section (5) of section seventy-one;" sub-clause (6), omit "sixty-two," substitute "sixty-seven."

Clause 76, omit "sixty-two" in six places and substitute "sixty-seven."

Clause 81, sub-clause (2), omit "constructed," substitute "construed."

Clause 97, tenth line, omit "seventy-one," substitute "seventy-six;" fifteenth line, omit "sixty-two," substitute "sixty-seven."

Clause 102, fourth line, omit "sixty-four," substitute "sixty-nine;" omit "sixty-six," substitute "seventy-one."

Clause 104, omit "sixty-four" in two places and substitute "sixty-nine"; omit "sixty-six" in two places, substitute "seventy-one."

Clause 125, fourth line, after "breach" omit "or," substitute "of."

Clause 133, second line, omit "gas."

Clause 135, page 48, sub-clause (2) (d), omit "removes," substitute "remove."

" page 49, sub-clause (4), after "which" omit "space."

" " sub-clause (6), first line, after "and" insert "the"; third line, after "catches" insert "are used."

" page 50, sub-clause (22), omit "uniforms," substitute "uniform."

" page 51, sub-clause (25), seventh line, omit "should," substitute "shall."

" " sub-clause (28), fourth line, omit "lead," substitute "load."

" pages 51-3, sub-clauses (31), (35), and (43), omit "Act 1896" wherever occurring, substitute "Acts."

Clause 150, third line, omit "provision," substitute "provisions."

Third Schedule, in the heading, omit "1896," substitute "1897."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 4th September, 1897.

On the motion of Mr. Foster, the House, after debate, agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Best, and the same was read:—

BRASSEY,

*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 Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—

"*Geelong Recreation Site Sale.*"

"*South Melbourne Lands Act 1897.*"

"*Mining Companies Act 1897.*"

"*An Act to amend the 'Mildura Trust Loan Act 1896' and for other purposes.*"

"*Water Supply Loans Application Act 1897.*"

"*An Act to amend the 'Mallee Tanks Act 1895.'*"

"*Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Act 1897.*"

"*An Act to remove certain Doubts as to the operation of Section thirty-one of the 'Companies Act 1896.'*"

"*Geelong Trades Hall Site.*"

"*Mandurang Lands Act 1897.*"

"*Eddington Land Act 1897.*"

"*Gisborne Land.*"

"*Moorpanyal Lands.*"

"*Bairnsdale Land Sale.*"

"*Sale Lands Act 1897.*"

"*Resumption of Land (Hamilton).*"

"*Bendigo Land Sale Act 1897.*"

"*An Act to further amend the 'Instruments Act 1890.'*"

"*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency.*"

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 6th September, 1897.

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

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1897, to 30th June, 1897.

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Amendment of Regulation 13 of the Regulations with respect to Applications for Orders authorizing the Supply of Electricity, &c.

Water Act 1890—

East Bort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulations.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

F. C. MASON,  
*Deputy-Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

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TUESDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. **ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.**—The Clerk having, at the Table, informed the House that Mr. Speaker was still in Sydney, attending the sitting of the Australasian Federal Convention, as one of the Representatives of Victoria, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker. The Deputy-Speaker informed the House that the Honorable the Speaker had requested him to take the Chair on Thursday next, but he had also received a summons to attend the Warden's Court at Foster on that day. If he complied with the summons he could not be in attendance on the service of the House, and he therefore desired to receive the directions of the House in regard to the matter.  
Mr. Best moved, That the Clerk do write to the Warden and inform him that the Deputy-Speaker, being required to take the Chair of the House on Thursday next, in the absence of the Honorable the Speaker, will be unable to attend at the Warden's Court on that day.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. **YARRA PARK ROADS BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable portions of the Yarra Park in the City of Melbourne to be excised for the purposes of public roads.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable portions of the Yarra Park in the City of Melbourne to be excised for the purposes of Public Roads,*" 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 on Thursday next.
4. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Thursday next.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Best moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

F. C. MASON,  
*Deputy-Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

THURSDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1897.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk having, at the Table, informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question whether the Lilydale to Yarra Junction Railway should be constructed on a Broad or Narrow Gauge; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. PAPERS.—Sir George Turner presented—
  - Divorce.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 17th August, 1897, for a return showing—
    1. How many cases of divorce have been before the court since the passing of the Shiels Divorce Act, showing each year separately.
    2. How many divorces have been granted.
    3. How many refused.
    4. How many dissolutions of marriage were granted for ten years prior to the passing of the Shiels Act.
    5. How many of the marriages contracted since the passing of the Shiels Act have ended in divorce.
    6. How many petitions were presented by the wife and husband respectively.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—
  - Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June 1897.
  - Marine Act 1890.—Amended Regulations for the Examination of Masters and Mates for Certificates of Competency.
  - Public Service Acts.—Regulations.
  - Servants' Registry Offices Act 1897.—Scale of Charges by Licensed Registry Office Keepers.—Order in Council.
  - Water Act 1890.—Nhill Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £400.—Detailed Statement and Report.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL (No. 2).—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the expenditure of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. H. R. Williams then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways,*" 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.

Sir George Turner 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 George Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Sir George Turner, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins 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 Sir George Turner, read a third time.

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

6. YARRA PARK ROADS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best 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. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins 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. Best, read a third time.

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

7. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 14th September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

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 revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Town of St. Arnaud.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 14th September, 1897.

FREDK. BROWN,  
Acting President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

9. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—Sir George Turner moved, That the said Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, line 14, transpose the word "of," where it first occurs, to follow the figure "(1)."

2. Clause 3, line 15, after "Act 1896" insert "for the words 'price or rate' wherever occurring there shall as from the commencement of the said Act be deemed to have been substituted the words 'prices or rates,' after the word 'person' where first occurring there shall as from the commencement of the said Act be deemed to have been inserted the words 'or persons or classes of persons and.'"
3. " same line, after "age" insert "capacity."
4. " page 2, line 4, omit "price" and insert "prices."
5. " same page and line, omit "rate" and insert "rates."
6. " same page, line 12, after "age" insert "capacity."
7. " same page, line 14, after "age" insert "capacity."
8. Insert the following new clauses :—

- A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Factories and Shops Acts the Governor in Council may at any time and from time to time for such period as he thinks fit not exceeding six months by Order published in the *Government Gazette* suspend the operation of the determination of any Special Board within the meaning of section fifteen of the *Factories and Shops Act 1896* whether appointed with or without previous election. When the operation of any determination (whether published in the *Government Gazette* or not) is so suspended it shall be the duty of such Special Board to hear receive and examine evidence as to such determination, and thereupon such Special Board may either adhere to the said determination or may make such amendments therein as to such Board seems proper.
- (2) In the event of such Special Board making any such amendments, such determination as so amended shall, if so ordered by the Governor in Council, forthwith be published in the *Government Gazette* and shall for all purposes be deemed and taken to be the determination of such Special Board, and shall from such date as may be fixed in such amended determination apply to every city and town and also to any borough or shire or part of a shire to which such determination may be expressly applied by the Governor in Council by a notification in the *Government Gazette*; and the suspended determination shall thereupon have no further force or effect.
- (3) In the event of such Special Board notifying the Minister that such Board adheres to its determination without amendment the Governor in Council may by Order published in the *Government Gazette* revoke the suspension of the operation of such determination from such date as he may fix in such Order.
- B. (1) Subject to this Act there shall be appointed by the Governor in Council pursuant to the Factories and Shops Acts but without any previous election two Special Boards to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing either inside or outside a factory or work-room the following articles of men's and boys' clothing or wearing apparel, namely coats (including overcoats and cloaks of every description) vests trousers jackets and knickerbockers, except indiarubber waterproof garments.
- (2) One of such Special Boards shall be so appointed for the determination of the prices or rates to be paid for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing the aforesaid articles if made or manufactured to the measure of any individual person and which are usually known as bespoke or order garments, and the other of such Special Boards shall be so appointed for the determination of the prices or rates to be paid for such of the aforesaid articles as are usually known as factory or slop clothing.
- (3) The Governor in Council may without previous election from time to time appoint any person to fill any vacancy occurring in either of such Special Boards.
- (4) Appointments as members of either Special Board shall be for twelve months only, but any person whose term of office has expired may be re-appointed.
- (5) Any reference in the Factories and Shops Acts to an elected member or person shall if not inconsistent with the context equally apply to any member or person appointed to any Special Board pursuant to this section.
- (6) Immediately on the appointment of the said two Special Boards, the Special Board appointed by the Governor in Council on the twenty-first day of January One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven to determine prices for the manufacture of men's and boys' clothing shall without further or other authority than this Act be abolished, and no determination of such Board shall have any force or effect.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3 disagreed with.

Amendments 4 and 5 agreed to.

Amendments 6 and 7 disagreed with.

Amendment to insert new clause A—

Mr. Peacock moved, That the words "or periods" be inserted after "period," in sub-section (1), line 2.

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

Mr. Sangster moved, That the words "six months," in the same sub-section, line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "three months."

Debate ensued.

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

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graham,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.

Tellers.

Mr. John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 15.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Cook,	
Mr. Gurr,	
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Maloney,	

Tellers.

Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Wilkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment to insert new clause A agreed to with the following further amendments :—

Sub-section (1), line 3, after "months" insert "in the whole."

" line 8, before "hear" insert "forthwith."

Sub-section (2), line 2, omit "if so ordered by the Governor in Council."

Sub-section (3), lines 2 and 3, omit "the Governor in Council may by Order published in the *Government Gazette* revoke the" and insert "such."

" line 4, after "determination" insert "shall by an Order in Council published in the *Government Gazette* be revoked"; after "date" omit "as he may fix" and insert "not later than fourteen days as may be fixed."

Amendment to insert new clause B disagreed with.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to new clause A with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable portions of the Yarra Park in the City of Melbourne to be excised for the purposes of Public Roads,*" 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,  
Melbourne, 23rd September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

In the Title omit "excised" and insert "used"; omit "Public Roads" and insert "a Road."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on their amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts*" with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in new clause A.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd September, 1897.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

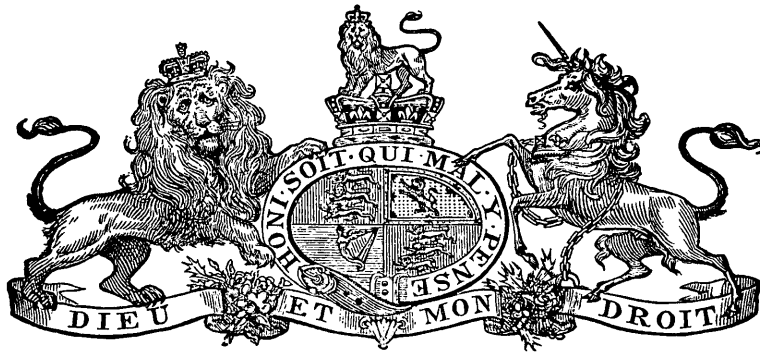
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

F. C. MASON,  
Deputy-Speaker.





SECOND SUPPLEMENT  
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DISCHARGING MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM ATTENDANCE AND DISSOLVING THE  
 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Colony of Victoria, and Administrator of the Government of the said Colony, &c., &c., &c.

**W**HEREAS 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 shall deem it expedient: And whereas the said Council and Assembly, called "The Parliament of Victoria," stand adjourned until Tuesday, the 28th day of September, 1897: And whereas it is expedient to dissolve the Legislative Assembly: Now therefore I, the Administrator of the Government of Victoria, in exercise of the power in me vested in this behalf, do by this my Proclamation discharge the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council from their meeting and attendance on Tuesday, the 28th day of September, 1897; and I do dissolve the Legislative Assembly, which is hereby dissolved accordingly. And I do hereby declare that I have this day given Order that Writs be issued in due form, and according to law, for the election of Members to be duly returned to serve in the Legislative Assembly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this twenty-eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

GEORGE TURNER.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

GENERAL ELECTION, 1897.

**N**OTICE is hereby given that His Excellency the Administrator of the Government will, on Thursday, the 30th September, 1897, issue Writs for a General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, and that the following arrangements for the Election have been made, viz. :—

Day of Nomination (before which nominations are to be made)	...	...	Thursday, 7th October, 1897.
Day of Polling	...	...	Thursday, 14th October, 1897.
Return of Writs	...	...	Saturday, 23rd October, 1897.

By Command,

RICHARD NEVILL,  
 Private Secretary.

Government Offices,  
 Melbourne, 28th September, 1897.

No. 94.—SEPTEMBER 28, 1897.—1.

## ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.

## PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Colony of Victoria, and Administrator of the Government of the said Colony, &c., &c., &c.

**I**N THE Administrator of the Government of Victoria, do hereby declare that I have this day assented, in Her Majesty's name, to the Bills passed by the Parliament of Victoria, the titles whereof are hereinafter set forth, that is to say:—

“An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts.”

“An Act to amend the Law relating to Mining.”

“An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.”

“An Act to enable portions of the Yarra Park in the City of Melbourne to be used for the purposes of a Road.”

“An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Town of St. Arnaud.”

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

GEORGE TURNER.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

## PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS.

## PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Colony of Victoria, and Administrator of the Government of the said Colony, &c., &c., &c.

**I**N pursuance of the provisions contained in the *Public Service Act 1890* (54 Vict. No. 1133, Part VI., section 135) and in the *Banks and Currency Act 1890* (54 Vict. No. 1164, Part III., section 20), I, the Administrator of the Government of Victoria, with the advice of the Executive Council, do by this my Proclamation appoint the days and dates hereunder mentioned to be observed as Public Holidays or Bank Holidays (as the case may be) at the places respectively specified, viz:—

WEDNESDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER INSTANT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Borough of Echuca, the Shire of Charlton, the Central and West Ridings of the Shire of Gordon, the North Riding of the Shire of Korong, the South-west Riding of the Shire of Swan Hill, and at Korong Vale;

THURSDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER INSTANT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Devenish and Mokoan Ridings of the Shire of Benalla, and the Shire of Tungamah;

FRIDAY, THE 1ST DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Borung and Karkaroc, and the North, North-east, and North-west Ridings of the Shire of Wimmera; and as a Bank Holiday at Beulah, Sheep Hills, and Warracknabeal;

TUESDAY, THE 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Karkaroc, Swan Hill, and Tungamah, the Eastern Riding of the Shire of Numurkah, and the Western Riding of the Shire of Yarrawonga; and as a Bank Holiday at Cobram;

WEDNESDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Borough of Echuca, the Shires of Birchip, Deakin, Donald, Kara Kara, Karkaroc, Maldon, Swan Hill, and Yackandandah, the East and Central Ridings of the Shire of Gordon, the Parishes Laanecoorie, Shelbourne, Tarnagulla, and Woodstock in the South Riding of the Shire of Marong, and the Western Riding of the Shire of Waranga; as a Public Half-holiday, from the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, throughout the North Riding of the Shire of Tullaroop; and as a Bank Holiday at Pyramid Hill;

THURSDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Numurkah and Tungamah, and the Central and Western Ridings of the Shire of Waranga; and as a Bank Holiday at Nathalia;

FRIDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shire of Charlton and the East Riding of the Shire of Gordon, and as a Bank Holiday at Charlton;

TUESDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Numurkah and Tungamah, and the Devenish Riding of the Shire of Benalla;

WEDNESDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Birchip and Lowan, and the Central and Eastern Ridings of the Shire of Waranga, and as a Bank Holiday at Murchison;

TUESDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shire of Lawloit, and as a Bank Holiday at Kaniva;

WEDNESDAY, THE 20TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Borough of Echuca, the Shires of Numurkah and Shepparton, and the Central and Eastern Ridings of the Shire of Waranga, and as a Bank Holiday at Kyabram;

THURSDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shires of Bacchus Marsh and Benalla;

WEDNESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Borough of Majorca, the Shires of Shepparton, Talbot, Tullaroop, and Tungamah, and the Devenish Riding of the Shire of Benalla;

THURSDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shire of Avoca;

WEDNESDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER NEXT,

as a Public Holiday throughout the Shire of Talbot.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK,  
Chief Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

## SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1897.



### 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed 23rd June, 1897.)

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Burton,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Mr. Harris,

Mr. Moule,  
Mr. Reid,  
Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.



### 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Graves,  
Mr. Mason,  
Sir John McIntyre,  
Mr. McLean,  
Mr. McLellan,

Mr. Staughton,  
Mr. Trenwith,  
Mr. A. L. Tucker,  
Sir George Turner,  
Mr. Vale,  
Mr. Wheeler.



### 3.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Deakin,  
Mr. Gavan Duffy,

Mr. Madden,  
Mr. Shiels.



### 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. T. Smith,

Mr. Taverner,  
Mr. Webb.

## 5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. W. Anderson,  
Mr. Bromley,  
Mr. Craven,  
Mr. Dyer,  
Mr. Grattan,

Mr. Gray,  
Mr. Hancock,  
Mr. Langdon,  
Mr. McKenzie,  
Mr. Outtrim,  
Mr. Rawson.

## 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Austin,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Murphy,

Mr. Reid,  
Mr. Wilkins.

## 7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 29th June, 1897.)

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Carter,  
Mr. Deakin,  
Sir John McIntyre,

Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.,  
Mr. T. Smith,  
Mr. Wheeler.

NOTE.—The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Joint) was appointed on 31st October, 1894.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 1.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 8TH JULY, 1897.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1897.

No. 1.—*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill.*—Clause 8.

(1) The Board may from time to time but not oftener than once in every year cause an estimate to be prepared of the money required for the several purposes in respect of which it is authorized to apply the Metropolitan General Fund, showing the sums already available for such purposes and the several sums required and the total net annual value of such properties as are sewered and of such properties as are not.

Annual estimate.

(6) After the estimate has been prepared the Board may, for the purposes aforesaid, make and levy upon every sewered property a rate to be called the "Metropolitan General Rate" "not exceeding at any time on any property" One shilling in the pound of the net annual value.

Rate.

(7) For the purpose of making any rate the Board shall adopt as the net annual value of properties the valuation in force at the time of making the rate in the municipalities within which the properties respectively are situate.

Municipal valuation to be adopted.

(10) Except as provided in the next following section of this Act no properties within so much of the metropolis as is described in the Fourth Schedule to this Act shall be liable to be rated under this or the Principal Act at more than "One penny" for every pound sterling of the net annual value thereof, "and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act."

Fourth Schedule.

(11) The rate to be made and levied upon unsewered properties within the metropolis, but not within the portions described in the said Fourth Schedule, shall not in any year exceed Twopence for every pound sterling of the net annual value thereof, "and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act."

—(Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "not exceeding at any time on any property," in line 8, be omitted.—(Mr. McCay.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Gurr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Rawson,	Mr. T. Smith.

Noes, 45.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Lazarus,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “One penny,” in line 15, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “Threepence.”—(*Mr. T. Smith.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 42.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Madden,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Moule.

## Noes, 26.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. O'Neill,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. T. Smith.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act,” in lines 16 and 17, be omitted.—(*Mr. T. Smith.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 45.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. Madden,	

## Noes, 25.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. McLean,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. T. Smith.
Mr. Staughton,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 1897.

No. 4.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “and no such rate shall be made after the expiration of nine years from the commencement of this Act,” in lines 20 and 21, be omitted.—  
(*Mr. J. S. White.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 48.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McCay,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 14.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Shiels,	Mr. Sangster.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 22ND JULY, 1897.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST JULY, 1897.

No. 1.—*Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution.*—Clause 1.

This Act may be cited as *The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia.*—(Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.)

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Kirton.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Kirton,  
Mr. Maloney,  
Mr. McColl,  
Mr. Rawson,  
Mr. Sterry,  
Mr. Vale,

Mr. Wheeler.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Prendergast,  
Mr. T. Smith.

Noes, 45.

Mr. Baker,  
Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Best,  
Mr. Brake,  
Mr. Carter,  
Mr. Craven,  
Mr. Duffus,  
Mr. Duggan,  
Mr. Fink,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. Grattan,  
Mr. Hamilton,  
Mr. Harper,  
Mr. Harris,  
Mr. Irvine,  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,  
Mr. John A. Isaacs,  
Mr. Kennedy,  
Mr. Kerr,  
Mr. Langdon,  
Mr. Madden,  
Mr. McBride,  
Mr. McCay,

Mr. McGregor,  
Mr. McLean,  
Mr. McLellan,  
Mr. McLeod,  
Mr. Moule,  
Mr. Murphy,  
Mr. O'Neill,  
Mr. Outtrim,  
Mr. Peacock,  
Mr. Rogers,  
Mr. Sangster,  
Mr. Staughton,  
Mr. Taverner,  
Mr. A. L. Tucker,  
Mr. J. B. Tucker,  
Mr. Turner,  
Mr. Wilkins,  
Mr. E. D. Williams,  
Mr. H. R. Williams.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,  
Mr. Murray.

And so it passed in the negative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 3.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 29TH JULY, 1897.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1897.

No. 1.—*Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution.*—Clause 9.

PART II.—THE SENATE.

The Senate shall be composed of "six" senators for each State, and each senator shall have one vote. The Senate.

The senators shall be directly chosen by the people of the State as one electorate.

The senators shall be chosen for a term of "six" years, and the names of the senators chosen by each State shall be certified by the Governor to the Governor-General.

The Parliament shall have power from time to time to increase or diminish the number of senators for each State, but so that the equal representation of the several States shall be maintained and that no State shall have less than six senators.

The qualification of electors of senators shall be in each State that which is prescribed by this Constitution or by The Parliament as the qualification for electors of members of the House of Representatives, but in the choosing of senators each elector shall vote only once, and if any elector votes more than once he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour.

Amendment proposed—That the word "six," in line 1, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "so many."—(Mr. Higgins.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 36.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLean,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1897.

No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed—That the word “six,” in line 4, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “three.”—(*Mr. Maloney.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 52.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Maddeu,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 20.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Maloney.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 4.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 5TH AUGUST, 1897.

TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1897.

No. 1.—*Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution.*—Clause 30.

Until The Parliament otherwise provides, the qualification of electors of members of the House of Representatives shall be in each State that which is prescribed by the law of the State as the qualification of electors of the more numerous House of the Parliament of the State. But in the choosing of such members each elector shall vote only once, and if any elector votes more than once he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and no elector who has at the establishment of the Commonwealth, or who afterwards acquires a right to vote at elections for the more numerous House of the Parliament of the State, shall whilst the qualification continues be prevented by any law of the Commonwealth from exercising such right at elections for the House of Representatives.

Amendment proposed—That the words “provided also that the basis of such qualification for the electors of the members of the House of Representatives shall be on the basis of one adult one vote” be added to the clause.—(*Mr. Maloney.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Bennett,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 31.

“Until The Parliament otherwise provides,” the qualifications of a member of the House of Representatives shall be as follows:—

- i. He must be of the full age of twenty-one years, and must when chosen be an elector entitled to vote in some State at the election of members of the House of Representatives, or a person qualified to become such elector, and must have been for three years at the least a resident within the limits of the Commonwealth as existing at the time when he is elected :
- ii. He must be either a natural-born subject of the Queen, or a subject of the Queen naturalized by or under a law of Great Britain and Ireland, or of one of the said Colonies, or of the Commonwealth, or of a State, at least five years before he is elected.

Amendment proposed—That the words “Until The Parliament otherwise provides,” in line 1, be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 58.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 13.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murray,	
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Prendergast.

No. 3.—Clause 44.

Until The Parliament otherwise provides, each member, whether of the Senate <sup>Allowance to</sup> or of the House of Representatives, shall receive an allowance for his services of <sup>members.</sup> “Four” hundred pounds a year, to be reckoned from the day on which he takes his seat.

Amendment proposed—That the word “Four,” in line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “Three.”—(*Mr. Moule.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 56.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McColl,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Brake,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Russell,	Mr. Staughton.

## No. 4.—Clause 48.

If a member of the Senate or of the House of Representatives accepts any office of profit under the Crown, not being one of the offices of State held during the pleasure of the Governor-General, and the holders of which are by this Constitution declared to be capable of being chosen and of sitting as members of either House of The Parliament, or accepts any pension payable out of any of the revenues of the Commonwealth during the pleasure of the Crown, his place shall thereupon become vacant, and no person holding any such office, except as aforesaid, or holding or enjoying any such pension, shall be capable of being chosen or of sitting as a member of either House of The Parliament.

Until The Parliament otherwise provides, no person being a member, or within six months of his ceasing to be a member, shall be qualified or permitted to accept or hold any "office" the acceptance or holding of which would, under this section, render a person incapable of being chosen or of sitting as a member.

But this section does not apply to a person who is in receipt only of pay, half-pay, or a pension as an officer or member of the Queen's navy or army, or who receives a new commission in the Queen's navy or army, or an increase of pay on a new commission, or who is in receipt only of pay as an officer or member of the military or naval forces of the Commonwealth and whose services are not wholly employed by the Commonwealth.

Amendment proposed—That the words "except that of a Justice of the High Court" be inserted after the word "office," in line 10.—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 58.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Prendergast.

## No. 5.—Clause 52.

## PART V.—POWERS OF THE PARLIAMENT.

The Parliament shall, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, have full power and authority to make laws for the peace, order, and good government of the Commonwealth, with respect to all or any of the matters following (that is to say):—

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xv. Banking, the incorporation of banks, *excluding State banks*, and the issue of paper "money."

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Further amendment proposed—That the words "except by a State" be inserted after the word "money," in line 5.—(*Mr. Longmore.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 40.	
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. John A. Isaacs,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Baker,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Best,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Styles,	Mr. Brake,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,	Mr. Carter,	Mr. Coll,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,	Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.	Mr. Craven,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Longmore,		Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. T. Smith.	Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Turner,
		Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wheeler,
		Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
		Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. S. White,
		Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
		Mr. Harper,	
		Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Irvine,	Mr. O'Neill,
		Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 6.—Clause 55.

(1) The Senate shall have equal power with the House of Representatives in <sup>Appropriation and Tax Bills.</sup> respect of all proposed laws, except laws imposing taxation and laws appropriating the necessary supplies for the ordinary annual services of the Government, which the Senate may affirm or reject, but may not amend. But the Senate may not amend any proposed law in such a manner as to increase any proposed charge or burden on the people.

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“(5) In the case of a proposed law which the Senate may not amend, the Senate may at any stage return it to the House of Representatives with a message requesting the omission or amendment of any items or provisions therein. And the House of Representatives may, if it thinks fit, make such omissions or amendments, or any of them, with or without modifications.”

Further amendment proposed—That sub-section (5) of the clause be omitted.—(*Mr. McCay.*)

Question—That sub-section (5) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 40.	
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,	Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Moule,	Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Peacock,	Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rawson,	Mr. Brake,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,	Mr. Burton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,	Mr. Cook,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,	Mr. Downward,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,	Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,	Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Zox.	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Madden,		Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Salmon.	Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
		Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
		Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Beazley,
		Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 7.—

Motion made and question put—That clause 55, as amended, be agreed to.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 59.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Lazarus,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bromley,
Mr. Styles,	Mr. Prendergast.

No. 8.—Clause 75.

No appeal shall be allowed to the Queen in Council from any court of any State or from the High Court or any other federal court, except that the Queen may, in any matter in which the public interests of the Commonwealth, or of any State, or of any other part of Her dominions, are concerned, grant leave to appeal to the Queen in Council from the High Court.

Motion made and question put—That clause 75 be agreed to.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. McCay.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 18.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Salmon.

THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 9.—Clause 83.

No money shall be drawn from the Treasury of the Commonwealth except Money to be ap-  
under appropriation made by law and "by warrant" countersigned by the Chief <sup>appropriated</sup> by  
Officer of Audit of the Commonwealth. <sub>law.</sub>

Amendment proposed—That the words "by warrant," in line 2, be omitted, with a view to insert in  
place thereof the words "a regular statement and account of the receipts and expenditure of all  
public money shall be published from time to time."—(*Mr. Rogers.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 54.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Rogers.	Mr. Staughton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 5.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 13TH AUGUST, 1897.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 1.—*Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution*.—Clause 112.

The Commonwealth shall protect every State against invasion and, on the “application of” the Executive Government of a State, against domestic violence. Protection of States from invasion and domestic violence.

Amendment proposed—That the words “the Parliament of the State” be inserted after the words “application of,” in line 2.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

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

Ayes, 23.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Longmore,	

Noes, 44.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McColl,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 6.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 20TH AUGUST, 1897.

WEDNESDAY (MORNING), 18TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 1.—*Commonwealth of Australia Draft Constitution*.—Clause 89.

“So soon as” uniform duties of customs have been imposed trade and intercourse throughout the Commonwealth, whether by means of internal carriage or ocean navigation, shall be absolutely free.

On establishment of uniform duties of customs and excise, trade within the Commonwealth to be free.

Amendment proposed—That the words “So soon as,” in line 1, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “When.”—(*Mr. McLean.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Webb.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. O'Neill.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 2.—Clause 121.

CHAPTER VIII.  
AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The provisions of this Constitution shall not be altered except in the following manner:—

Mode of amending  
the Constitution.

Any proposed law for the alteration thereof must be passed by an absolute majority of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and shall thereupon be submitted in each State to the electors qualified to vote for the election of members of the House of Representatives, not less than two nor more than six calendar months after the passage through both Houses of the proposed law.

The vote shall be taken in such manner as The Parliament prescribes.

And if a majority of the States and a majority of the electors voting approve the proposed law, it shall be presented to the Governor-General for the Queen's assent. But until the qualification of electors of members of the House of Representatives becomes uniform throughout the Commonwealth only one-half the votes for and against the proposed law shall be counted in any State in which adult suffrage prevails.

“But an alteration by which the proportionate representation of any State in either House of The Parliament or the minimum number of representatives of a State in the House of Representatives is diminished, shall not become law without the consent of the majority of the electors voting in that State.”

Amendment proposed—That the last paragraph of the clause be omitted.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

<p>Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Austin, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Carter, Mr. Chirnside, Mr. Craven, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Madden, Mr. McBride, Mr. McColl,</p>	<p>Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Russell, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Webb, Mr. A. W. H. White, Mr. J. S. White.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Moule, Mr. Salmon.</p>
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Noes, 41.

<p>Mr. Baker, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Sir Graham Berry, Mr. Brake, Mr. Burton, Mr. Cook, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Foster, Mr. Graham, Mr. Graves, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Harris, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. John A. Isaacs, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Maloney, Mr. McGregor,</p>	<p>Mr. McLean, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Shiels, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Styles, Mr. Taverner, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Turner, Mr. Vale, Mr. H. R. Williams.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Beazley, Mr. McCay.</p>
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And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—New clause.

Or if the Senate reject or fail to pass any proposed law which has passed the House of Representatives or pass the same with amendments with which the House of Representatives will not agree the Governor-General may dissolve both Houses of The Parliament.—(*Mr. Maloney.*)

Question—That this clause be added to the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 34.

<p>Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Sir Graham Berry, Mr. Best, Mr. Brake, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Burton, Mr. Cook, Mr. Foster, Mr. Gray, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Harris, Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. John A. Isaacs, Mr. Longmore,</p>	<p>Mr. McColl, Mr. McLean, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Styles, Mr. Taverner, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. H. R. Williams.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Beazley, Mr. Maloney.</p>
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Noes, 31.

<p>Mr. Austin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Carter, Mr. Craven, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Graves, Mr. Harper, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Levien,</p>	<p>Mr. Madden, Mr. McBride, Mr. McCay, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Russell, Mr. Salmon, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. A. W. H. White.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Moule, Mr. Thomson.</p>
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 4.—New clause.

## PROVISION AGAINST DEAD-LOCKS.

1. (I.) If either House of Parliament shall in two consecutive Sessions of the same Parliament with an interval of at least six weeks between pass and transmit to the other House for its concurrence therein any proposed law which such other House either fails to pass without amendment within thirty days after receiving the same in the second Session or within such period passes with any amendment not agreed to by the House transmitting the proposed law the provisions of the following sections of this Part shall apply.

(II.) The proposed law passed and transmitted in the second Session may include any amendments agreed to by both Houses in the first Session.

2. The House in which the proposed law originated may pass a resolution that in its opinion the proposed law is of an urgent nature and may transmit the resolution and the proposed law with any amendments agreed to by both Houses up to the time of transmission to the other House with a request for further consideration.

3. If within thirty days of the transmission of the proposed law as last aforesaid or if the Session shall end before the expiration of such period then within thirty days of the commencement of the next Session of the same Parliament the other House shall not pass the proposed law without amendment or with such amendment as the House transmitting the same agrees to the House in which the proposed law originated may resolve that the same be referred to the direct determination of the people.

4. If such last-mentioned resolution is passed a vote of the electors of the Commonwealth as to whether the proposed law as last transmitted as aforesaid shall or shall not become law shall be taken unless in the meantime the House to which it has been transmitted has passed the same.

5. Such vote shall be taken in each State separately and if the proposed law is affirmed "by" a majority of "States containing also a majority of" the electors voting it shall be presented to the Governor-General for the Royal assent as if it had been duly passed by both Houses of Parliament and on receiving the Royal assent it shall become law. If not affirmed as aforesaid the proposed law shall not become law and shall not be again proposed for a period of at least three years. Until the qualification of electors of members of the House of Representatives becomes uniform throughout the Commonwealth only one-half the votes for and against the proposed law shall be counted in any State in which adult suffrage prevails.

6. No such vote shall be taken unless more than six months will elapse before the expiry of Parliament by effluxion of time.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "a majority of the electoral districts for the House of Representatives and by" be inserted after the word "by," in line 2 of paragraph 5.—(*Mr. Baker.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 14.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Cook,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Sangster.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 5.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words "States containing also a majority of," in line 2 of paragraph 5, be omitted.—(*Mr. Trenwith.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 35.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill.
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Thomson.

## Noes, 21.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Styles,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Gurr,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 6.—

Motion made and question put—That the clause, as amended, be added to the Bill.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 33.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rogers,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Best,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Cook.

## Noes, 21.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 7.—New clause.

Upon the presentation to the Governor-General of a petition containing a proposal for the amendment of this Act and signed by at least one per centum of the people of the Commonwealth the Governor-General shall cause the question whether or not such amendment shall be made to be submitted to the election of the people, and in the event of a majority of the electors of the Commonwealth voting in favour of such proposed amendment the same shall be presented to the Governor-General for the assent of Her Majesty as if an amendment of this Act had been duly passed in accordance with the provisions of the last preceding sections, and on receiving the assent of Her Majesty it shall become law.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That this clause be read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 33.	
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Thomson.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 8.—New clause.

Prior to any colony entering into a federal compact the Parliament of such colony shall meet and suggest the Tariff that it will be prepared to accept as a preliminary to entering into such Federation.—(*Mr. Longmore.*)

Question—That this clause be added to the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 31.	
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1897.

No. 7.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 27TH AUGUST, 1897.

FRIDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1897.

No. 1.—*Railway Loan Application Bill.*—Schedule.

Item.	Station.	Work.	Amount.
			£
*	*	*	*
40	Towards amalgamation of Prince's-bridge Station and Flinders-street Station, and construction of Central Station at "Melbourne" ...		60,000
			£266,260

—(Mr. H. R. Williams.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added after the word "Melbourne":—"subject to the said work being remitted for consideration to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways and being approved by them."—(Mr. Irvine.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Carter,  
Mr. Duffus,  
Mr. Harper,  
Mr. Irvine,  
Mr. Kennedy,  
Mr. Langdon,  
Mr. Madden,  
Mr. McArthur,  
Mr. McKenzie,  
Mr. McLeod,  
Mr. Staughton.  
*Tellers.*  
Mr. Salmon,  
Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 26.

Mr. J. Anderson,  
Mr. Baker,  
Mr. Barrett,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Best,  
Mr. Bromley,  
Mr. Duggan,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. Gray,  
Mr. Gurr,  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,  
Mr. John A. Isaacs,  
Mr. Murray,  
Mr. Peacock,  
Mr. Prendergast,  
Mr. Sangster,  
Mr. Styles,  
Mr. Taverner,  
Mr. A. L. Tucker,  
Mr. J. B. Tucker,  
Sir George Turner,  
Mr. Turner,  
Mr. Webb,  
Mr. H. R. Williams.  
*Tellers.*  
Mr. Cook,  
Mr. Maloney.

And so it passed in the negative.

