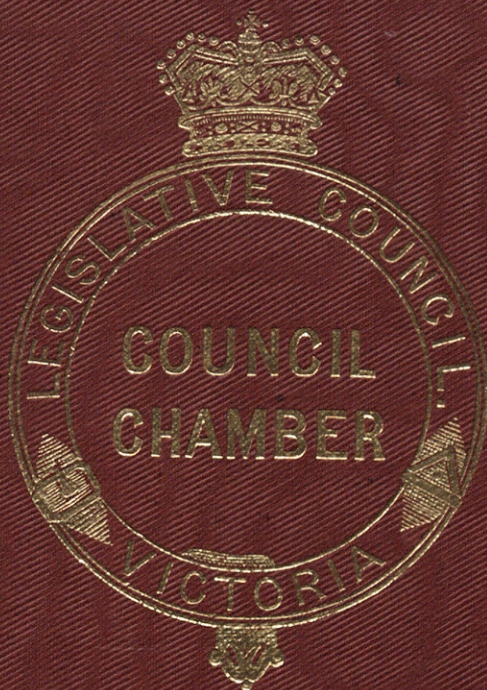


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	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>MELBOURNE PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
John Mark Davies ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Cornelius Job Ham ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Robert Reid ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Arthur Snowden ... ..	31 Aug. 1895	...	1901	Elected in place of Hon. G. S. Coppin, who retired by rotation.
<b>NORTH YARRA PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
Frederick Sheppard Grimwade ...	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Nathaniel Levi ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Pitt ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH YARRA PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
Edward Miller ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Simon Fraser ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Lieut.-Col. Sir Frederick Thomas Sargood, K.C.M.G.	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Godfrey ... ..	...	12 Sept. 1895	1901	Elected in place of Hon. J. M. Davies, who retired by rotation.
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
Sir Rupert Turner Havelock Clarke, Bart.	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Donald Melville ... ..	19 Dec. 1899	...	1904	Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Defence; re-elected.
Thomas Brunton ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH-WESTERN PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
Sidney Austin ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Henry John Wrixon, K.C.M.G., Q.C.	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Thomas Charles Harwood ... ..	19 July 1899	...	1902	Elected in place of Hon. J. H. Connor, deceased.
<b>NELSON PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
William Henry Seville Osmand ...	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Thomas Dowling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Samuel Williamson ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
Samuel Winter Cooke ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Nathan Thornley ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Agar Wynne ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE:</b>				
The Honorables—				
James Bell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Thomas Comrie ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Pharez Phillips ... ..	...	10 Sept. 1896	1902	Elected in place of Hon. D. E. McBryde, who retired by rotation.
Joseph Major Pratt ... ..	31 Aug. 1895	...	1901	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.

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	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
Joseph Sternberg ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. <sup>3</sup>
Joseph Henry Abbott ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Irving Winter-Irving ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Simmie ... ..	31 Aug. 1895	...	1901	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WELLINGTON PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
David Ham ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
John Young McDonald ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. T. D. Wanliss, who retired by rotation.
Sir Henry Cuthbert, K.C.M.G., Q.C. ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Morey ... ..	31 Aug. 1895	...	1901	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
Sir William Austin Zeal, K.C.M.G. ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Re-elected President, 4th September, 1900.
Dr. William Henry Embling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Nicholas FitzGerald ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
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Arthur Otto Sachse ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Frederick Brown ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Re-appointed Chairman of Committees, 6th September, 1898.
John Alston Wallace ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>GIPPSLAND PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
William Pearson ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Jolley Crooke ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William McCulloch ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Hoddinott ... ..	...	18 Nov. 1898	1901	Elected in place of Hon. C. Sargeant, resigned.
<b>SOUTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
James Callender Campbell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Knox ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. J. Buchanan, who retired by rotation.
James Balfour ... ..	28 Aug. 1896	...	1902	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Parliaments.*

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

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**ARMS EXPORTATION (CHINA) BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 21st August, 1900, pp. 36-7. (Assented to 23rd August. Act No. 1660.)

**BRUNSWICK LANDS PURCHASE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke.*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, pp. 96-7. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1688.)

**BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 81.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 11th October, p. 92. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1682.)

**CENSUS BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 25th September, 1900, p. 64. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 26th September, p. 68. (Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1669.)

**CITY OF MELBOURNE FURTHER LOAN BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—

Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 82.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 9th October, p. 83. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1676.)

**COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 2nd October, 1900, p. 74.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, pp. 75-6. (Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1672.)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 24th July, 1900, p. 24. (Assented to 25th July. Act No. 1656.)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).**—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee, 28th August, 1900, p. 40.

Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 28th August, p. 42. (Assented to 29th August. Act No. 1662.)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to*

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3)**—*continued.*  
*the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.*—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee, 28th August, 1900, p. 41.

Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 28th August, p. 42. (*Assented to 29th August. Act No. 1663.*)

**CREMATION BILL.**—Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.—(Hon. F. S. Grimwade.)—Initiated and read a first time, 24th July, 1900, p. 26.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 31st July, p. 30. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900.'*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th September, 1900, pp. 67–8.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, p. 77. (*Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1673.*)

**ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th September, 1900, p. 57.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 26th September, pp. 68–9. (*Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1670.*)

**ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.**—Bill to further amend the *Electric Light and Power Act 1896.*—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 10th July, 1900, p. 19.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 24th July, p. 24.

Further considered in Committee, 31st July, p. 29; 15th August, p. 34.

Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 15th August, p. 34.

Report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 21st August, p. 36.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill with amendments, 18th September, p. 58.

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Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council in new clause B, have disagreed with others, and have made consequential amendments in the said clause, 9th October, p. 80.

**ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—continued.**

Amendments considered; the Council agree to one of the consequential amendments of the Assembly in clause B, insist on their amendments in the said clause disagreed with by the Assembly, and disagree with the consequential amendments of the Assembly on the said amendments, 11th October, p. 90.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on by the Council in clause B, and insist on disagreeing with the amendments made in the consequential amendments of the Assembly in the said clause, but have made further amendments in the said amendments; amendments considered; the Council still insist on their amendments in clause B disagreed with by the Assembly, and disagree with the consequential amendments of the Assembly, 12th October, pp. 101–2.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments of the Council in clause B, 12th October, p. 102. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1694.*)

**FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 3rd October, 1900, p. 76.

Read a second time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Council, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Council, and passed, 9th October, p. 81. (*Reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, 17th October, see p. 107.*)

**FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen, and the number of Members for each Division.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—

Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 25th September, 1900, p. 64.

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Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 26th September, p. 66. (*Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1667.*)

**FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890.'*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—

Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, p. 96. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1686.*)

**GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the town of Geelong and for other purposes.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 82.

**GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL—continued.**

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th October, p. 88. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1680.*)

**GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes.*"—(*Hon. T. C. Harwood.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th September, 1900, p. 68.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, p. 77. (*Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1674.*)

**HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to amend the *Hospitals and Charities Act 1890.*—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 14th August, 1900, p. 32.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 28th August, p. 41.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 11th October, p. 93. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1683.*)

**INSOLVENCY BILL.**—Bill to further amend the law relating to Insolvency.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 27th June, 1900, p. 14.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 10th July, p. 20.

Further considered in Committee, 24th July, p. 25; 31st July, p. 29.

Reported with amendments, 31st July, p. 29.

Order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted for the reconsideration of clause J and the consideration of two proposed new clauses; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 15th August, p. 34.

Report from the Clerk of a correction made by him in the Bill, 21st August, p. 35. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to amend the *Justices Acts.*—(*Hon. J. Sternberg.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 31st July, 1900, p. 29.

Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 3rd October, p. 77.

**LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890.*—(*Hon. N. Levi.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 31st July, 1900, p. 29.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 15th August, p. 34.

Further considered in Committee, 28th August, p. 42; 4th September, p. 47; 11th September, p. 53.

Reported with amendments, 11th September, p. 53.

Report considered. The President said—"With reference to the question raised by the Honorable Mr. C. J. Ham at a previous sitting of the Council, when he desired to

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move for the recommitment of the Bill to reconsider a clause which had been previously proposed by him in Committee, and which was negatived, I have now to inform the House that since the adjournment last Wednesday night I have given this matter the fullest consideration, and I am still of opinion that the honorable Member will not be in order in proposing to recommit the Bill for the consideration of a clause which has already been considered in Committee and negatived. If such a practice were adopted there could be no possible finality in dealing with amendments in Committee on a Bill, and, although it is distinctly laid down by Hatsell and May 'that in every stage of a Bill every part of a Bill is open to amendment either for insertion or omission, whether the same amendment has been in a former stage accepted or rejected,' still I would point out that, if an amendment has been proposed in Committee and there negatived, it is at some subsequent stage that a similar amendment must be offered for consideration. I would, therefore, suggest to the Honorable Mr. Ham that if he wishes again to obtain the sense of the House on the clause which was negatived in Committee he can do so by giving notice now that on the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Bill he will move that the clause in question be added to the Bill." Motion, by leave—That new clause AA be added to the Bill—negatived, and report adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 26th September, p. 67.

Motion, by leave, to refer to Standing Orders Committee the question involved in the President's ruling—resolved in the affirmative, 26th September, p. 67. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL.**—

Bill to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 17th July, 1900, p. 21.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 24th July, p. 24.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill with amendments, 26th September, p. 66.

Amendments considered; the Council agree to some of the amendments of the Assembly, disagree with other of the said amendments, and agree to some of the said amendments with amendments, 2nd October, pp. 72-3.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to the amendments of the Council on the amendments of the Assembly, and that they insist on the amendment disagreed with by the Council in clause 3, but have made a consequential amendment in it, 10th October, p. 86.

Amendment considered; the Council do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Assembly, and agree to the consequential amendment of the Assembly in the said amendment, 11th October, p. 91.

Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 17th October, p. 104.

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Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to His Excellency's amendments, 17th October, p. 106. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1699.*)

## MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.

—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Marriage Act 1890.'*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th September, 1900, p. 58.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, p. 76.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council, 11th October, p. 93. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1684.*)

MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 25th September, 1900, p. 64.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 26th September, p. 68; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 2nd October, pp. 73–4.

Message from the Assembly notifying that, with reference to the amendment made by the Council in the Bill, the Assembly had passed the following resolution:—"That, as the proposed amendment involves an alteration in an appropriation made by this House of public moneys, this House declines to entertain the same; and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message to that effect," 9th October, p. 82.

Amendment considered; motion—That the Legislative Council are of opinion that they have the undoubted right to make the amendment in clause 5 of the Bill as transmitted to the Legislative Assembly, and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them with this resolution and with an intimation that the Legislative Council insist on the said amendment—resolved in the affirmative, 11th October, p. 91. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL (NO. 2).—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, pp. 98–9. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1691.*)

MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—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.'*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 2nd October, 1900, p. 74.

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Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, p. 76.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendment of the Council, 9th October, p. 82. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1675.*)

NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 14th August, 1900, p. 32.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 28th August, p. 40. (*Assented to 26th September. Act No. 1664.*)

NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Extension of the Northcote Tramway.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 81.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 9th October, p. 83.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendment of the Council, 10th October, p. 86. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1678.*)

PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Bill to amend the Law concerning Letters Patent for Inventions.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 14th August, 1900, p. 32.

Petition presented, 11th September, p. 52.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 28th August, p. 42; debate resumed and further adjourned, 28th August, p. 42; 11th September, p. 52; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 9th October, p. 82. Bill lapsed.

PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 80.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 10th October, p. 87.

Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 11th October, p. 92. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1681.*)

PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL.—Bill relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays.—(*Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 17th July, 1900, p. 21.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 24th July, p. 26.

PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL—*continued.*

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 28th August, p. 40. (Assented to 29th August. Act No. 1661.)

**PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, p. 97. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1689.)

**RAILWAY LOAN BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th July, 1900, p. 25.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 31st July, p. 29. (Assented to 7th August. Act No. 1659.)

**RAILWAY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, p. 98. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1690.)

**RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway.*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, pp. 80–81. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th October, p. 87.

Message from the Assembly transmitting Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill, to which the Assembly had agreed; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 17th October, pp. 104–5. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1695.)

**REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890.'*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th September, 1900, p. 58. Bill lapsed.

**RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL.**—Bill to authorize Contributions being made by Municipal Councils for Rifle Ranges.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 10th July, 1900, p. 19.

Petition presented and referred to the Committee on the Bill, 31st July, p. 27.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 17th July, p. 22; debate resumed and further adjourned, 31st July, p. 28; motion for second reading negatived, 4th September, p. 47.

**SALTWATER RIVER BRIDGE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, p. 96. (Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1687.)

**SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service.*"—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 31st July, 1900, pp. 27–8.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 14th August, p. 32.

Order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted for the consideration of a proposed new clause; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with a further amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed; title amended and agreed to, 28th August, p. 41.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, 11th September, p. 53.

Amendments considered; the Council agree to the amendments made by the Assembly on an amendment of the Council, 18th September, p. 57. (Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1666.)

**ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893.'*"—(Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th September, 1900, p. 58.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 19th September, p. 60.

Report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 26th September, p. 68. (Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1668.)

**SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890.'*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 31st July, 1900, p. 28.

Petitions presented and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Bill, 21st August, p. 35.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 14th August, p. 32.

Further considered in Committee, 21st August, p. 36.

Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 21st August, p. 36.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, 11th September, p. 53.

Amendments considered; the Council insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do not insist on another, and agree to the amendments of the Assembly on an amendment of the Council, 18th September, p. 56.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they insist on disagreeing with the amendment of



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the Council to omit clause 5, but have made an amendment in the clause, 26th September, p. 66.

Amendments considered; the Council still insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 2nd October, p. 72.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to omit clause 5, 9th October, p. 79.

Amendment considered; the Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 5, and agree to the amendment of the Assembly in the said clause with amendments, 11th October, pp. 89–90.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have disagreed with the amendments of the Council on the Assembly's amendment in clause 5, and as a consequential amendment have omitted the said clause; amendments considered; the Council concur with the Assembly in the omission of clause 5, 12th October, p. 100.

Message from the Assembly transmitting Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill, to which the Assembly had agreed; His Excellency's amendment considered and agreed to, 17th October, p. 105. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1696.*)

**SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th September, 1900, pp. 65–6.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 2nd October, p. 72. (*Assented to 8th October. Act No. 1671.*)

**TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 4th September, 1900, p. 47.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 19th September, p. 60.

Further considered in Committee, 26th September, p. 67; 3rd October, p. 77; 9th October, p. 83.

Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 9th October, p. 83.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, and have disagreed with the amendments in clause 11, but as a consequential amendment have omitted the said clause; amendments considered; the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly to omit clause 11, 12th October, pp. 100–1. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1693.*)

**TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1898.'*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th July, 1900, p. 25.

**TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL—continued.**

Motion, by leave—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 24th July, p. 25; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 31st July, p. 29. (*Assented to 7th August. Act No. 1658.*)

**VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 80.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th October, p. 87.

Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill, which error the Assembly had agreed to correct; the Council concur in the correction of the error, 17th October, p. 106. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1698.*)

**VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th July, 1900, p. 23.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 24th July, p. 25. (*Assented to 26th July. Act No. 1657.*)

**VOTING BY POST BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 4th September, 1900, p. 47.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 11th September, p. 52.

Further considered in Committee, 18th September, p. 57; 18th September, p. 57; 2nd October, p. 74; 3rd October, p. 78.

Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 3rd October, p. 78.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, have disagreed with one of the said amendments, and have agreed to others with amendments, 10th October, p. 86.

Amendments considered; the Council do not insist on one of their amendments (on division) disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on another, agree to the amendments of the Assembly in clause A, and agree to the consequential amendment in clause 24 with an amendment, 11th October, pp. 91–2.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to the amendment of the Council on the consequential amendment of the Assembly in clause 24, and that they insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council

VOTING BY POST BILL—*continued.*

to omit clause 22, but have made amendments in the said clause; amendments considered; the Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 22, and agree to the amendments of the Assembly in the said clause, 12th October, p. 99.

Message from the Assembly transmitting Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill, to which the Assembly had agreed; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 17th October, p. 104. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1701.*)

**WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—

Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 4th September, 1900, p. 46.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 11th September, p. 52. (*Assented to 26th September. Act No. 1665.*)

**WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money for Water Supply in Country Districts.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, pp. 97-8.

Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill, which error the Assembly had agreed to correct; the Council concur in the correction of the error, 17th October, p. 105. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1697.*)

**WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend section twenty-seven of the 'Weights and Measures Act 1890.'*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th September, 1900, p. 67. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th October, p. 85. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1677.*)

**WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 81.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 11th October, p. 89; debate resumed and motion for second reading,

**WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL—*continued.***

on division, resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 11th October, p. 93. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1685.*)

**WINE ADULTERATION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 12th October, 1900, pp. 99-100.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council, 12th October, p. 100. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1692.*)

**WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 28th August, 1900, p. 40.

Petitions presented, 11th September, p. 51; 25th September, p. 63.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25th September, p. 63; debate resumed and motion for second reading, on division, negatived, 26th September, p. 65.

**WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize a Referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 3rd October, 1900, p. 77.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 9th October, p. 82; debate resumed and motion for second reading, on division, negatived, 10th October, p. 86.

**WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 9th October, 1900, p. 80.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th October, p. 87. (*Assented to 17th October. Act No. 1679.*)

**WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL.**—Bill to amend the Law with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment.—(*Hon. Sir H. J. Wrixon.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 10th July, 1900, p. 18.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15th August, p. 33; debate resumed and further adjourned, 19th September, p. 59. Bill lapsed.

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No. 1.

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH JUNE, 1900.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the fifth day of June instant, 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 SEVENTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

### PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Lieutenant-Governor of 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 12th day of June, 1900, and it is expedient further to prorogue the same, and to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-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 27th day of June, 1900; and also I do hereby fix Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1900, 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 fifth day of June,  
in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred, and in the sixty-third year of  
Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. McLEAN.

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2. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have called you together, after a brief recess, with a view of obtaining your advice and assistance in regard to matters of importance.

The attempted assassination of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales caused a thrill of horror throughout the whole civilized world ; and all classes will unite in an expression of deep gratitude to Almighty God that the life of the Heir Apparent to the Throne has been preserved, and that our revered Sovereign, in her advanced years, has been spared a terrible sorrow. On receipt of the intelligence a cablegram was despatched, on behalf of the people of Victoria, expressing their sincere gratification that the murderous design had been frustrated.

The war in South Africa has not yet been brought to a conclusion, but the brilliant successes already achieved inspire confidence that, at no distant date, complete victory will crown our arms. I cherish the hope that the struggle will ultimately secure the maintenance of the rights and privileges of our fellow subjects in South Africa, and conduce to the future welfare and advantage of those with whom unhappily we are now in conflict. The loyal response to the call to arms has strengthened the relations between the Mother Country and her great Dependencies, and has shown to the world that we are ready to share the dangers and responsibilities of the Empire of which it is our proud resolve to ever form a part.

In the great achievements of the campaign our Australian soldiers have borne a prominent part, and proved themselves worthy comrades in arms of Britain's best troops. The enthusiastic demonstrations, upon the announcement of the relief of the beleaguered towns in British territory, prove the intensity of the loyalty and of the patriotic feeling of our people.

Our rejoicings have, however, been tinged with regret by the loss of many of the brave men who left our shores ; and we have also witnessed the affecting spectacle of the return of Victoria's sick and wounded from their first campaign. We honour them for their noble performance of duty, and it will be our privilege to show our appreciation of their conduct by making suitable recompense for their sufferings.

The reception accorded by the Imperial authorities to the Bill for the establishment of the Commonwealth of Australia has been most gratifying, and it is evident that Federated Australia will commence her career under the happiest auspices. Certain amendments on questions of detail were, however, proposed by Her Majesty's Advisers, and the conduct of the negotiations with regard thereto has shown the wisdom of the step the Federating Colonies took in despatching able and trusted delegates to England, to elucidate the measure and give expression to Australian opinion. The proposed amendments have been reduced to a minimum, and the measure is likely to be enacted in substantially the form in which it was ratified by the people of Australia.

It is eminently satisfactory that the Parliament of Western Australia has passed a measure authorizing the taking of a vote of the people on the Convention Bill, and I trust that, as the result of that vote, the whole continent of Australia will soon be indissolubly united.

The number of members to which Victoria will be entitled in the House of Representatives will depend upon whether or not Western Australia enters the Federation as an original State. My Advisers have therefore prepared alternative schemes providing for either contingency, and these, together with other measures to provide for the changes necessitated by Federation, will be duly laid before you for your consideration.

The Bill for extending the Franchise to Women, which has on several occasions received your attention, will be again submitted at an early date, and will, if adopted, permit of women voting, not only for the Legislative Assembly of the State, but also for both Chambers of the Federal Parliament. A Bill providing for a system of Voting by Post will also be introduced.

A measure will be laid before you for the establishment of a system of Provision for Old Age, whereby assistance will be rendered to the present aged and deserving poor, who hitherto have lacked means of securing themselves against indigence in their declining years ; and, at the same time, the spirit of thrift, forethought, and self-dependence fostered and encouraged in the community.

My Advisers purpose submitting to you measures dealing with the formation of Rifle Clubs, strengthening the Cadet Corps, and increasing the number and efficiency of the Mounted Rifles.

The purchase of the Wando Vale Estate for the purpose of promoting closer settlement of the people on the land is expected to prove very successful. The subdivisinal value of the estate, made after careful local advice, was found to be nearly one-eighth more than the price paid by the Government for the estate as a whole. In accordance with the provisions of the Land Act, the successful applicants will receive nearly the whole of this benefit.

Negotiations are in progress for the resumption of more land for closer settlement under the *Land Act* 1898. The limit of £100,000 per annum has proved inelastic, and proposals will be submitted to you for the extension of this limit, as my Advisers are strongly of opinion that the acquisition of good land by the State for closer settlement is not only the best means of keeping our rural population within the colony, but also of augmenting greatly the wealth to be won from the soil.

Deputations from Farmers' Associations interviewed my Ministers, asking for the erection of grain elevators. In the opinion of the Commissioner of Railways compliance with this request involved a very large additional expense, which, it was considered, should not be incurred without careful investigation of the conditions under which the elevator system has proved so successful in

the United States. It was deemed advisable, therefore, that Mr. Mathieson, in conjunction with Mr. Sinclair, our Agricultural Representative in London, should proceed to America, accompanied by an expert draughtsman, who could draw up locally the plans and specifications necessary for the erection, by our own contractors and workmen, of suitable elevators and fittings, if the information to be elicited by the Commissioner will justify the adoption of the system in conjunction with our railways.

My Advisers have entered into a provisional contract for the construction, by private promoters, of a narrow-gauge railway to serve the Mount Deddick country, at an expenditure of £300,000. This line will open up a large and valuable territory, and, subject to compliance with certain guarantees by the promoters, a Bill will be submitted to you sanctioning the contract and enabling the Government to take over the line on equitable terms.

Arrangements are almost completed for the establishment of a Department of Labour, which will be placed under the control of the Minister of Public Works. It is expected that very shortly this new branch of the State service will be in full operation, and that it will prove of great value in providing a more complete means of registration of the unemployed, better facilities for collecting information as to openings for labour, and more successful methods of bringing together the representatives of capital and labour.

The arduous work of the Public Service Reclassification Board is approaching completion, and, so soon as the Board's report is in the hands of my Advisers, it will receive their careful consideration, with a view to the adoption of such measures as may be necessary to rectify anomalies and place the Public Service on a more equitable and satisfactory basis.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates for the ensuing financial year, which have been framed with due regard to economy on the one hand and to public requirements on the other, will be laid before you.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In accordance with the provisions of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1900, a Royal Commission has been appointed, consisting of Members of both Houses of Parliament, to thoroughly investigate and report upon the operation and industrial effect of our Factories legislation, and as to any amendments in the law which may be desirable. In selecting the members of that Commission my Advisers have been actuated by a desire to secure the services of gentlemen who, though differing in their views as to Factory legislation, have a knowledge of, and take a deep interest in, the subject. By this means it is hoped that the inquiry will be rendered more exhaustive and satisfactory.

Resolutions for the creation of further Wages Boards under the Factories and Shops Acts will be duly submitted to you.

Amendments in the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court are now being made by the Judges, with a view to expedite and cheapen litigation, and my Advisers have prepared measures to further these desirable changes. The question of the Consolidation of the Statute Law of the Colony at an early date is also receiving attention.

So far as the limited duration of the Session will allow, my Advisers will submit for your consideration Bills for Railway Construction, Arbitration and Conciliation, and Reclassification of Shires; for amending the Land Acts and the law relating to Patents, and for preventing the use of deleterious articles in the making and preserving of Wine; also measures dealing with the Restriction of Undesirable Immigration, Coal Mines Regulation, and Infant Life Protection.

I trust that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, your deliberations on these and any other matters which you may be called upon to consider, will tend to promote the best interests and happiness of the people.

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

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

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

4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, J. Bell, F. Brown, T. Brunton, J. C. Campbell, T. Comrie, S. W. Cooke, E. J. Croke, Sir H. Cuthbert, J. M. Davies, T. Dowling, Dr. W. H. Embling, N. FitzGerald, S. Fraser, F. S. Grimwade, C. J. Ham, D. Ham, T. C. Harwood, J. Hoddinott, W. Knox, N. Levi, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, E. Morey, W. Pearson, P. Phillips, W. Pitt, J. M. Pratt, R. Reid, A. O. Sachse, Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, G. Simmie, Sir A. Snowden, J. Sternberg, N. Thornley, J. A. Wallace, S. Williamson, W. I. Winter-Irving, Sir H. J. Wrixon, and A. Wynne severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM AUSTIN ZEAL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred and forty-four pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Melbourne, South Melbourne, and Prahran, and are known as—

“Parts of Crown allotments 2, 3, and 4, section 24, city of Melbourne; part of Crown allotment 3, section I; Crown allotment 4, section I; and Crown allotment 4, section L, city of South Melbourne; and parts of Crown portions 14, 17, 18, and 20, city of Prahran, at Toorak.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and eighty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and forty-two pounds; and that such of the said lands and tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and twenty-two pounds.

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

“W. A. ZEAL.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and nineteen pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Sandhurst, Echuca, and Strathfieldsaye, and are known as—

“Firstly, part of Crown allotment nine of section twenty-four B, city of Bendigo, parish of Sandhurst, county of Bendigo, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 2586, fol. 517022.

“Secondly, Crown allotment six and six A of section sixty-eight C, Olinda and Gladstone streets, city and parish of Sandhurst, county of Bendigo.

“Thirdly, Crown allotments one, two, and three, section nineteen, parish of Mandurang, county of Bendigo.

“Fourthly, part of allotment thirteen, section one, and part of Crown allotment six of section three, parish of Mandurang, county of Bendigo, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1353, fol. 270462.

“Fifthly, part of Crown allotment seventeen, section one, parish of Mandurang, county of Bendigo, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1140, fol. 227959.

“Sixthly, part of Crown allotment three, section six, town of Echuca, parish of Echuca North, county of Rodney, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1786, fol. 357001.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty-seven pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Echuca are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-two pounds.

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

“JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SIDNEY AUSTIN, of Geelong, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Winchelsea, and are known as ‘Karngun Paddocks.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Winchelsea are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds.

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

“SIDNEY AUSTIN.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES BELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dunolly, and are known as my property, being allotments 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of section 26, and allotments 8<sup>b</sup> and 9 of section 12, town of Dunolly.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dunolly are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds.

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

“JAMES BELL.”

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK BROWN, of Beechworth, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seven pounds ten shillings above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Beechworth, and are known as 'Shrublands'—Allotments 2, 3, and 4 of section F, with dwelling-house and out-offices, occupied by me; also allotment 8 of section P<sup>1</sup>, 17 of section 4, allotment 2, section 38, and part of allotment 3 of section D, all in the town and parish of Beechworth.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of United Shire of Beechworth are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and seven pounds ten shillings.

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

"FREDK. BROWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS BRUNTON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the shire of Broadmeadows, and are known as 'Roxburgh Park.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the shire of Broadmeadows are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds.

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

"THOMAS BRUNTON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES CALLENDER CAMPBELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as Myrtle Grove, situate in New-street and North-road, town of Brighton, containing seven and one-half acres or thereabouts, on which is erected a two-storied brick house, containing sixteen rooms; also an allotment of land situate at Elwood-street, Brighton.

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

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

"JAS. C. CAMPBELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS COMRIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Tarnagulla, and are known as Crown allotments 11 and 11A of section thirteen, township and parish of Tarnagulla, county of Gladstone.

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

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

"THOMAS COMRIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SAMUEL WINTER COOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dundas, and are known as 'Murndal.'

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

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

"SAML. WINTER COOKE."



"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD JOLLEY CROOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of 'The Holy Plain Estate.'

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

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

"E. J. CROOKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY CUTHBERT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the city of Ballarat and shire of Ballarat, and are known as—

"Part of allotment 1 of sec. 9, city of Ballarat,

"Allotment 2 of sec. 14, parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the city of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Eighty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds.

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

"HENRY CUTHBERT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN MARK DAVIES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotments fifty-six, fifty-seven, and fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing six hundred and twenty-five acres and twenty perches or thereabouts.

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

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

"JNO. M. DAVIES."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS DOWLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Hampden and Mortlake, and are known as 'Jellalabad,' situated on Mount Emu Creek, and bounded on the south by township of Darlington, on the east by lands belonging to Messrs. Cole and Dodds, on the north by station known as 'Terrinallum,' and on the west by station known as 'Mount Fyans.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mortlake are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand seven hundred pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hampden are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Five hundred and forty-six pounds.

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

"THOMAS DOWLING."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as 'Elmwood,' Chapel-street, St. Kilda.

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

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

"WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in St. Kilda, county of Bourke.

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

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

"N. FITZGERALD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SIMON FRASER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Norla,' Irving-road, Toorak.

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

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

"SIMON FRASER."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK SHEPPARD GRIMWADE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 'Harleston,' situate at the corner of Balaclava and Orrong roads.

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

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

"F. S. GRIMWADE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, CORNELIUS JOB HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifteen pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as tenements No. 70 and 71 Albert ward, in the city of Melbourne.

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

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

"C. J. HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DAVID HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat East, and are known as the Exhibition Mart and dwelling-houses situated in Victoria and Main streets.

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

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

“DAVID HAM.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS CHARLES HARWOOD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds and upwards above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Newtown and Chilwell and Queenscliff, and are known respectively as ‘Hawthorn,’ Skene-street, Newtown, Geelong, and ‘Graylings,’ Swanston-street, Queenscliff.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Newtown and Chilwell are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Queenscliff are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Eighty pounds.

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

“THOS. C. HARWOOD.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH HODDINOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the Shire of Phillip Island and Woolamai, and are known as Crown allotments eleven, twelve, and thirteen, in the parish of Woolamai, county of Mornington.

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

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

“J. HODDINOTT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM KNOX, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Six hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as ‘Ranfurlie.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Six hundred pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Six hundred pounds.

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

“WM. KNOX.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NATHANIEL LEVI, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and eighty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of city of Melbourne, city of St. Kilda, municipal district of city of South Melbourne, shire of Cranbourne, and shire of Moorabbin, and are known as Printing establishment, situated in Hosier-lane, off Flinders-street east, city of Melbourne; allotment 1 of section 9 x twenty-eight perches and nine-tenths, allotment 2 of section 9 x nineteen perches and eight-tenths, allotment 3 of section 9 x nineteen perches and six-tenths, city of St. Kilda, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotments 1 and 2, section 57 c, allotments 1, 44, and 45, section 64 r, allotments 53 and 49, 43 q, and allotment 28, section 43 o, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotment 10, village of Lang Lang, two roods; allotment 11, village of Lang Lang, two roods twenty-six perches, parish of Lang Lang, Yallock riding, shire of Cranbourne, county of Mornington; allotment 5, part of Crown portion 28, parish of Moorabbin, South riding, shire of Moorabbin, county of Bourke.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Sixty-five pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty-two pounds,

and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Eighty-one pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Cranbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Three pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Moorabbin are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Two pounds.

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

"NATHL. LEVI."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN YOUNG McDONALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat West, and are known as the Edinburgh Buildings.

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

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

"J. Y. McDONALD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DONALD MELVILLE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and thirty-seven pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Brunswick, Pyalong, and McIvor, and are known as—

"My residence, situated in Albion-street, West Brunswick, with twenty-eight and one-half acres land; two hundred and six acres land within the shire of Pyalong; and one hundred and forty acres land within the shire of McIvor.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety-two pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds, and that within the municipal district of McIvor at Fifteen pounds.

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

"D. MELVILLE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such land or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as part of 'Findon' Estate, being land measuring four acres, situate corner of Barker's-road and Findon-street.

"And I further declare that such said land situate in the municipal district of Kew is rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty-five pounds.

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

"EDWARD MILLER."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MOREY, of Ballarat, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the city of Ballarat, and are known as assessment 89, Lydiard-street, Eighty pounds; assessment 1493, Armstrong-street, Sixty-three pounds; and are allotments six and nineteen, section nine, city and parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville.

"And I further declare that the said lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of the city of Ballarat and are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty-three pounds.

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

"E. MOREY."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Wodonga, and are known as 'Bonegilla,' containing five thousand five hundred and eighteen acres or thereabouts.

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

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

"WM. PEARSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, PHAREZ PHILLIPS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Borung, and are known as land and tenements situate within the township of Warracknabeal.

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

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

"PHAREZ PHILLIPS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PITT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as land, Trenery-crescent, Collingwood.

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

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

"WILLIAM PITT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH MAJOR PRATT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as all that piece of land containing thirty-six perches and three-tenths of a perch or thereabouts, being part of Crown allotment four, section fourteen, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, at East Melbourne, county of Bourke.

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

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

"J. M. PRATT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ROBERT REID, merchant, Melbourne, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twelve pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Beaconsfield, shire of Berwick, and are known as 'Mount Pleasant,' Pakenham, being lots 1, 12, 13, 20, and 47, Pakenham, 448 acres.

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

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

"ROBERT REID."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Thrapston,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.

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

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

"A. O. SACHSE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK THOMAS SARGOOD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One thousand two hundred and thirty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 'Rippon Lea'—

"Forty-six acres of land, with dwelling-house thereon.

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

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

"F. T. SARGOOD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, GEORGE SIMMIE, of Cornelia Creek, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Echuca Shire, and are known as 'Cornelia Creek.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Echuca Shire are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand pounds.

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

"G. SIMMIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR SNOWDEN, of 433 Little Collins-street, in the city of Melbourne, barrister and solicitor, and of Saint Hellier's-street, Abbotsford, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as the villa residence called 'St. Helliers,' situate in St. Hellier's-street, Abbotsford, in the said municipal district, and grounds attached thereto, forming my residence, such lands having a frontage of two hundred and thirty-eight feet nine inches to St. Hellier's-street by a depth of about three hundred feet.

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

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

"A. SNOWDEN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shires of Deakin and Echuca, and are known as—firstly, Crown allotments 91, 92, 93, and 133, parish of Kyabram, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; secondly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; thirdly, Crown allotments 4 and 5, section 1A, township and parish of Rochester, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1190, fol. 237802; fourthly, part of Crown allotment 3, section 3A, township of Rochester, parish of Rochester West, county of

Bendigo, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1828, fol. 365402, and which land is situated in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca; fifthly, allotment 64, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are firstly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-five pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are secondly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Thirty-six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are thirdly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fourthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Twenty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fifthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ten pounds.

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

“JOSEPH STERNBERG.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NATHAN THORNLEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One thousand four hundred and three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Minhamite, and are known as ‘Kangatong,’ about 8,000 acres.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Minhamite are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand four hundred and three pounds.

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

“N. THORNLEY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN ALSTON WALLACE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Towong and Port Melbourne, and are known as—

“No. 1. Lands and tenements situate near Bethanga, electoral district of Benambra, shire of Towong, area six hundred and thirty-nine acres.

“No. 2. Lands and tenements—the Bay View Hotel, situate Beach-street, Port Melbourne.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Towong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Port Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds.

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

“JOHN A. WALLACE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SAMUEL WILLIAMSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as No. 252 Williams-road, Toorak.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds.

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

“SAML. WILLIAMSON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM IRVING WINTER-IRVING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Six thousand pounds and upwards above all charges and incumbrances affecting

the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts as hereunder named, and are known as—

“Noorilim, in the shire of Goulburn and Waranga.  
 “Carpendeit, „ Heytesbury.  
 “Tirrengower, „ Colac.  
 “Allotments, „ Tambo.  
 “Stanhope, „ Waranga and Deakin.  
 “Allotments, in the city of Prahran.  
 “Allotments, „ Hawthorn.  
 “Allotments, in the shire of Boroondara.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Waranga are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand nine hundred and forty-six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Carpendeit are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Five hundred and twenty-seven pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Colac are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and ninety-eight pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Tambo are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Deakin are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Nine hundred pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Six hundred pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hawthorn are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and ninety pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Boroondara are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds.

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

“WM. I. WINTER-IRVING.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY JOHN WRIXON, do declare and testify that I am legally seised of an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and thirty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as land and house, corner of Barker’s-road and Wrixon-street.

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

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

“H. J. WRIXON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, AGAR WYNNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden, and are known as ‘Terinallum.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mortlake are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand one hundred and forty-seven pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hampden are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and fifty-seven pounds ten shillings.

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

“AGAR WYNNE.”

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 1.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council a copy of a despatch received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the retention of the title “Honorable” by Mr. James Buchanan.

Government House,  
 Melbourne, 27th June, 1900.



[COPY.]

Downing-street,  
20th February, 1900.

SIR,

In reply to Lord Brassey's despatch No. 92, of the 3rd December, I have the honour to inform you that the Queen has been pleased to approve of the retention of the title of "Honorable" by Mr. James Buchanan, who has served continuously as a Member of the Legislative Council of Victoria for a period of more than ten years.

A notice to this effect will be published in the *London Gazette*.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

(Sd.)

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering  
The Government of Victoria.

6. **INSOLVENCY BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency,*" 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, 10th July next.

7. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Annual Report on British New Guinea, from 1st July, 1898, to 30th June, 1899; with Appendices.

Defective Saddlery Board.—Report of the Board appointed to inquire and report as to the Supply by the Contractors of Defective Saddlery for the use of the Second Victorian Contingent sent for service in South Africa.

Papers relating to the Federation of the Australian Colonies.

Unemployment.—Report of the Board of Inquiry on Unemployment.

Australasian Statistics for the year 1898.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899—

Part I.—Blue Book.

Part II.—Interchange.

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:—

Dentists Act 1898.—Alteration of Regulation.

Fourteenth Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1899; with an Appendix.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria for 1899, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1898-9.

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1899.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1899.

Report of the Country Fire Brigades Board for the year ended 31st December, 1899, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Report of the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board for the year ended 31st December, 1899, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Post Office Acts—

Insurance of Parcels.

Rate for Transmission of Telegrams between Victoria and New Zealand.

8. **SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables T. C. Harwood, J. H. Abbott, T. Comrie, S. Fraser, J. Hoddinott, W. Knox, and E. Miller.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood presented the Address which had been agreed to by the Committee, and the same was read by the Honorable the President, and is as follows :—

*To His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Lieutenant-Governor of the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

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

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by the President and such Members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 10th July next, at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1900.

### Questions.

1. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether the Government will take charge of the Public and Bank Holidays Bill, which was passed by the Legislative Council last Session, and also passed the first reading in the Legislative Assembly, seeing that the Bill, if it becomes law, will be a great convenience to the commercial and trading class not only in Victoria but also in the adjoining colonies, and a great boon to the large body of employés of all classes in Victoria.
2. The Hon. Sir H. J. WRIXON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the statement in the press that it is the practice of the Railway Department not to prosecute in cases of embezzlement if the money embezzled be repaid ; and to ask if this is a correct statement and, if so, will the Crown Law Department in future see that this unlawful practice is not continued.
3. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. The number of children boarded out with their parents or relations for each of the years ending 30th June, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899.
  2. The date when the old rule was abolished of refusing to board out children with their parents or relations.
  3. The total amount paid during each of the above financial years to parents or relations for children so boarded out.
4. The Hon. W. KNOX : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Defence—
  1. If he is aware that inconvenience has been created by a summary alteration in the Rifle Club Regulations, without adequate notice, by which the minimum number of members necessary to constitute a rifle club is fixed at 40 instead of 20 as per printed regulations now in circulation.
  2. If the Minister will consider the expediency of simplifying the form of the present oath of allegiance and make it clear that members of rifle clubs undertake thereby no obligation for active service at sea.
  3. If the Minister will be good enough to take an early opportunity of informing the House as to the present position of the rifle club movement, and say what steps are being taken to provide suitable rifles and ranges for practice in shooting, and if, at the same time, he will submit a Return showing the present number and strength of the rifle clubs, distinguishing as to recent accessions thereto.
5. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the opinions submitted on the 31st October, 1899, by the late Solicitor-General in reply to the following question :—
 

“The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the following statements in the *Argus* :—

  1. That the Commissioners of Savings Banks have decided that they will not hold a ballot of mortgage bonds this half-year ;
  2. That the Commissioners have decided that there will be no ballot of bonds for five years from this date ;

and to ask what sections of Act No. 1481 give the Commissioners power to so suspend the ballot ;”

and to ask if the present Ministry concur in the opinions of the late Attorney-General and Solicitor-General.
6. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the present unsatisfactory method of exercising the prisoners in the several gaols, and to ask whether military drill could not be introduced instead, and thus give the prisoners valuable physical exercise and at the same time promote habits of discipline.

## NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that Half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
2. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, S. Austin, J. Bell, S. W. Cooke, N. FitzGerald, Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, Sir A. Snowden, N. Thornley, Sir H. J. Wrixon, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
3. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Fraser, W. Pitt, and W. I. Winter-Irving be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
4. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, F. S. Grimwade, C. J. Ham, D. Melville, and Sir H. J. Wrixon be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
5. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables Dr. W. H. Embling, E. Morey, J. M. Pratt, A. O. Sachse, and J. A. Wallace be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
6. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, T. Brunton, Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., T. Comrie, D. Ham, W. Knox, N. Levi, P. Phillips, R. Reid, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
7. The Hon. W. KNOX : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable J. Balfour for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.
8. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.
9. The Hon. N. LEVI : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable George Godfrey for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.
10. The Hon. Sir H. J. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment.

## ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. INSOLVENCY BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1900.

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## VICTORIA.

No. 2.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., W. McCulloch, and W. H. S. Osmand severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, Sir RUPERT TURNER HAVELOCK CLARKE, Bart., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and eighty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Merriang, and are known as nine thousand seven hundred and five acres, in the parish of Darraweit Guim, No. 4 in the rate-book.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Merriang are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and eighty-three pounds.

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

“RUPERT T. H. CLARKE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM McCULLOCH, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat, and are known as ‘Woodlands.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat are rated in the rate-book of such districts upon a yearly value of Five thousand five hundred and eighty-three pounds—

“Avoca	...	...	...	£550
“Stawell	...	...	...	4,319
“Ararat	...	...	...	714
				£5,583

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

“W. McCULLOCH.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM HENRY SEVILLE OSMAND, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and forty-nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Stawell, and are known as the Concongella Estate in the parishes of Stawell and Concongella, and ‘The Sycamores,’ in the parishes of Stawell and Watta Wella.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Stawell Shire are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and forty-nine pounds.

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

“W. H. S. OSMAND.”

5. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The President reported that he had, that day, waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council agreed to on the 27th ultimo, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

In the name and on behalf of our Most Gracious Sovereign, I beg to thank you for your loyal Address, and confidently rely on your willingness to devote your earnest attention to the measures necessary for the advancement of the public welfare.

JOHN MADDEN.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 10th July, 1900.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Wynne having stated his desire to move, That the House do now adjourn, six Members rose in their places and required the motion to be proposed. The Honorable A. Wynne then said that he proposed to speak on the subject of the reply of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the question respecting the practice of the Railway Department in cases of embezzlement, and moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and negatived.
7. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that Half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, S. Austin, J. Bell, S. W. Cooke, N. FitzGerald, Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, Sir A. Snowden, N. Thornley, Sir H. J. Wrixon, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Fraser, W. Pitt, and W. I. Winter-Irving be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, F. S. Grimwade, C. J. Ham, D. Melville, and Sir H. J. Wrixon be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables Dr. W. H. Embling, E. Morey, J. M. Pratt, A. O. Sachse, and J. A. Wallace be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, T. Brunton, Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., T. Comrie, D. Ham, W. Knox, N. Levi, P. Phillips, R. Reid, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable W. Knox moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable J. Balfour for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable N. Levi moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable George Godfrey for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL.—The Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon do prepare and bring in the Bill. The Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment,*” 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, 25th July instant.

16. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Contributions being made by Municipal Councils for Rifle Ranges.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize Contributions being made by Municipal Councils for Rifle Ranges,*" 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.

17. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Electric Light and Power Act 1896*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power 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 on Tuesday next.

18. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Ninth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Pastoral Lands in the Parishes of Connangorach, Mockinya, Daahl, and Tyar, County of Lowan, known as the Black Range Forest, Upper Glenelg District.

Tenth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Forest Royalties and the Royalty System.

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 :—

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Eighth General Report.

Education Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.

Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations.

Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund.—Balance-sheet, 1899.

Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the *Electric Light and Power Act 1896* for the year 1899.

Victorian Railways—

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st December, 1899.

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st March, 1900.

Water Act 1890—

Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Alteration in Representation of Commissioners for the Urban and Irrigation Divisions of the Trust District.

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 7.

Bairnsdale Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Alteration in the Constitution.

Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Additional Loan.

Campaspe Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

The Carrum Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Minimum Amount of Rates for year 1900.

Rating Regulation.

Regulation providing for the Sale of Water for the year 1900.—Regulation No. 19.

Dry Lake Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

East Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Koondrook and Myall Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Rating Regulation.

Regulation for fixing Charges for Water for 1900.

North Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Rating Regulation No. 18 (Draft Form).

Rating Regulation No. 18.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust District.—Rating Divisions repealed.

Swan Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 16 (Draft Form).

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 16.

The Shire of Wimmera and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—

Application of Municipal Funds.

The Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 26.

Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.



19. **INSOLVENCY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
20. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1900.

*Questions.*

1. The Hon. W. McCULLOCH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the urgent necessity for providing additional and extensive cool storage accommodation for the large and increasing quantity of products to be shipped this season; and to ask what provision has been made so that shippers may have some guarantee that in future no block will occur.
2. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether the Government will take charge of the Public and Bank Holidays Bill, which was passed by the Legislative Council last Session, and also passed the first reading in the Legislative Assembly, seeing that the Bill, if it becomes law, will be a great convenience to the commercial and trading class not only in Victoria but also in the adjoining colonies, and a great boon to the large body of employés of all classes in Victoria.
3. The Hon. W. KNOX: To call the attention of the Council to the replies which the Honorable the Minister of Defence gave to the questions submitted to him on the 10th July instant respecting rifle clubs; and to direct the attention of the Minister to the present position of the rifle club movement.
4. The Hon. N. LEVI: To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the inadequate number of honorary justices of the peace at Williamstown; and to point out the great inconvenience the public are subjected to under the circumstances.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—Second reading.
3. INSOLVENCY BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.
2. The Hon. R. REID: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH JULY, 1900.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2.

Insolvency Bill—[4].

Electric Light and Power Bill—[7].

Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill—[14].

Insolvency Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Agar Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 3 and 4.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.

Supreme Court Bill—[5].

Voting by Post Bill—[9].

Commonwealth Arrangements Bill—[17].

Federal House of Representatives Victorian Electorates Bill—[18].

Woman Suffrage Bill—[28].

Annual Report of British New Guinea, from 1st July, 1898, to 30th June, 1899 ; with Appendices.

No. 7.

Papers relating to the Federation of the Australian Colonies. No. 20.

Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from the *Government Gazette* of 6th July, 1900.

No. 23.

## VICTORIA.

No. 3.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. THE COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant, appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—

## VICTORIA.

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

The Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald,  
The Honorable Simon Fraser,  
The Honorable William Knox,  
The Honorable John Young McDonald,  
The Honorable Nathan Thornley,  
The Honorable William Irving Winter-Irving, and  
The Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon

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

Given under my hand this seventeenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President of the Legislative Council.

5. PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL.—The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays*," 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. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance 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 on Tuesday next.

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

Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890—

Minor Articles.—Rope Adjuster (for Halters).  
Surgical Appliances or Instruments.—Drenching Bits for Cattle.  
Duty on Cane and Canvas Trunks.

Fisheries Act 1890—

Notice of Proclamation.—Protection of Crayfish.  
Notice of Intention regarding Fishing in the Barwon River.  
Shire of Bright.—Close Seasons for English Trout.  
Use of Nets in Volcano Lake.

Marine Act 1890—

Ports in Victoria.—Additional Regulation (93B).  
Ports in Victoria.—Additional Regulation.—Port of Port Phillip.  
Amendment of Regulations for the Carriage of Animals by Ship.  
Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea.

Powder Magazines Act 1896.—Explosives Magazine Reserve at Truganina.—By-laws.

Certification of Accounts.—General Regulations respecting Public Accounts.—Clause 35A.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1899.

Land Act 1890.—Section 85—

Schedule of Swamp Lease containing Special Conditions.  
Schedule of Swamp Lease containing Special Conditions.

Water Act 1890—

Leaghur and Meering Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—  
Regulation for the Sale and Distribution of Water.  
Rating Regulation.

The Swan Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation providing for the Sale and Distribution of Water for Irrigation purposes.

Land Acts—

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part II.—Schedule 56.

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part II.—Chapter X.

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Parts II. and III.

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part IV.—Chapter XII.

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part IV.—Chapter XIII.

Addition to Regulations under the Land Acts.—Schedule 129A.

Regulations under the *Land Act* 1898.

Mallee Regulations under the provisions of the *Land Act* 1900, also Additional Regulations under *Land Act* 1898 with regard to Land in the Fourth Schedule (Little Desert).

8. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 31st July instant.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next—

*Electric Light and Power Bill—Second reading.*

*Insolvency Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1900.

*Questions.*

1. The Hon. W. KNOX : To call the attention of the Council to the replies which the Honorable the Minister of Defence gave to the questions submitted to him on the 10th July instant respecting rifle clubs ; and to direct the attention of the Minister to the present position of the rifle club movement.
2. The Hon. E. MILLER : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the hardship that sometimes is caused to prisoners upon their trial before the criminal courts through being unable to pay for counsel to defend them ; and to ask if he will confer with their Honours the Judges with the view of having junior counsel assigned by the court to defend prisoners in such cases as specially call for this assistance.
3. The Hon. P. PHILLIPS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Sparrow Suppression Bill this Session ; if not, will they afford facilities to a private Member introducing such a measure.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—Second reading.
3. INSOLVENCY BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Justices Acts.
2. The Hon. N. LEVI : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of females employed in each branch of the Public Service, including the Railways, and also the number employed in each of the various trades registered under the Factories Acts.
3. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. The total number of insolvencies in Victoria for 1899.
  2. The total amounts and assets.
  3. The salaries of the Official Accountant and staff in the Melbourne office.
4. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.
5. The Hon. R. REID : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.

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TUESDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 1 and 2.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 3.

Companies Bill—[42].

Public and Bank Holidays Bill—[43].

Electric Light and Power Bill.—Information respecting Clauses 2, 3, and 4. (To Members of Council only.)

Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 5 and 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.

Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Bill—[35].

Marriage Bill—[37].

Public Accountants Bill—[38].

Traction Engine Bill—[41].

Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Foster. (To Members only.)

Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the *Electric Light and Power Act 1896*, for the Year 1899. No. 25.

## VICTORIA.

No. 4.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable W. Knox having stated his desire to move, That the House do now adjourn, six Members rose in their places and required the motion to be proposed. The Honorable W. Knox then said that he proposed to speak on the subject of the Rifle Club movement, and moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and negatived.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

6. VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China,*" be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
7. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Royal Commission on Technical Education.—Third Progress Report on Technical Education.  
—Report by Dr. Cherry on Technical Instruction in Great Britain and Europe.

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 :—

Defences and Discipline Act 1890—

Part I.—Revised Regulations for Rifle Clubs.

Victorian Military Forces—

Alteration of Regulations.—Part I.

Alteration of Regulations.—Part I.—Section I.

Victorian Naval and Military Forces—

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part I.

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Parts I., II., III., and IV.

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Parts I. and IV.

Victorian Naval Forces—

Alteration of Regulations.—Appendix.

Alteration of Regulations.—Part III.—Section VI.

Victorian Volunteer Cadet Corps.—Addition to Regulations.

Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1899.



8. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed. The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

11. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*” be now read a first time.

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

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

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1898,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

13. TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1898,'*" be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

15. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes,'*" 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.
16. VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.— Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
"*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.*"  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
17. INSOLVENCY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
18. FEMALE EMPLOYÉS IN PUBLIC SERVICE AND UNDER FACTORIES ACTS.—The Honorable N. Levi moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of females employed in each branch of the Public Service, including the Railways, up to the 31st December, 1899, and also the number employed in each of the various trades registered under the Factories Acts.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

19. CREMATION BILL.—The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the Honorable F. S. Grimwade do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 The Honorable F. S. Grimwade then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to regulate Cremation 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 on Tuesday next.
20. PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
 On the motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
 The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
 “*An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays.*”  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
21. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislature Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 31ST JULY, 1900.

### *Questions.*

1. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the fact that a large number of foreign telegrams, both inward and outward, are being sent through the office, in Adelaide, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company at the reduced rate of Four shillings per word as charged to South Australia by the company ; and to ask when the Government will place the merchants and public of Victoria on a similar footing instead of their having to pay as now Four shillings and tenpence per word.
2. The Hon. E. MILLER : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the hardship that sometimes is caused to prisoners upon their trial before the criminal courts through being unable to pay for counsel to defend them ; and to ask if he will confer with their Honours the Judges with the view of having junior counsel assigned by the court to defend prisoners in such cases as specially call for this assistance.
3. The Hon. P. PHILLIPS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Sparrow Suppression Bill this Session ; if not, will they afford facilities to a private Member introducing such a measure.
4. The Hon. A. O. SACHSE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the condition of certain State schools and school residences ; and to ask whether the Government will direct—
  1. That the necessary repairs be made to the fences of the Wandiligong State School, so that animals may be kept out of such building, that the school teacher's residence at that school be put in proper condition, and the buildings painted.
  2. That the teacher's residence at the Harrierville State School be made safe, repaired, and painted.
  3. That the fencing at the Freeburgh State School be made good, and the school and residence renovated.

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
4. RAILWAY LOAN BILL—Second reading.
5. INSOLVENCY BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

### *General Business.*

#### NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. N. LEVI : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act* 1890.
2. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Justices Acts.*

3. The Hon. R. REID : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.
4. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. The total number of insolvencies in Victoria for 1899.
  2. The total amounts and assets.
  3. The salaries of the Official Accountant and staff in the Melbourne office.
5. The Hon. A. WYNNE : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount already expended on the Collingwood line of railway, and the estimated further expenditure required.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CREMATION BILL—Second reading.
2. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 31st July.*

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH JULY, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 3.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.  
 Treasury Bonds Bill—[33]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Railway Loan Bill—[34]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Insolvency Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. J. M. Davies. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Electric Light and Power Bill—  
   Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)  
   Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)  
   Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. A. O. Sachse. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 7, 8, and 9.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.  
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 1.  
 Railway Loan Bill—[34].  
 Weights and Measures Bill—[47].  
 Dairying Companies Bill—[54].  
 Voting by Post Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Higgins, contingent on the Bill being read a second time. (To Members only.)  
 Penny Postage.—Petition from President, Vice-President, and Members of Council of Melbourne Chamber of Commerce. E.—No. 1.  
 Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Eighth General Report. No. 9.  
 Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of Secretary and Inspector for 1899. No. 26.

## VICTORIA.

No. 5.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 31ST JULY, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 2.*

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

*“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.”*

*“An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty’s Royal Navy or Army in China.”*

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 26th July, 1900.

5. PETITION.—The Honorable J. H. Abbott presented a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the City of Bendigo, praying that the Council would not permit the Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill to become law.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee on the Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill.

6. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of the *Settlement on Lands Act 1893* during the financial year ended 30th June, 1900.

Eleventh Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Fire Protection in Country Districts : being a Report on the measures necessary to prevent the Careless Use of Fire or the Spread of Bush or Grass Fires on Public and Private Lands.

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1899.

Public Service Board—Report.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Yea Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £400.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

8. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service,*” 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, 14th August next.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

10. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” 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, 14th August next.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Resolution of sympathy with the Italian Nation on the assassination of His Majesty the King, and of condolence with Her Majesty the Queen Dowager and the other Members of the Royal Family ; also an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with reference thereto, with which Resolution and Address the Assembly desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

The Resolution was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our profound indignation and sorrow at the assassination of His Majesty the King of Italy.

We deeply sympathize with the widowed Queen and the other Members of the Royal Family in the cruel bereavement which has been inflicted upon them, and with the people of Italy in the lamented death of their beloved King.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the blank in the foregoing Resolution be filled up by the insertion of the words “*Legislative Council and the.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Resolution, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words “*Legislative Council and the.*”

The Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to forward, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies the accompanying Resolution for presentation to the Queen, with an expression of a respectful hope that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to give instructions for its communication to the Queen Dowager of Italy.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words “*Legislative Council and the.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Address.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Address, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words “*Legislative Council and the.*”

12. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

Debate continued.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 14th August next.

13. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, 14th August next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to amend the ‘ Treasury Bonds Act 1898.’ ”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

15. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

16. INSOLVENCY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown 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, 14th August next.

17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable N. Levi moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable N. Levi do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable N. Levi then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Licensing 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, 14th August next.

18. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Justices Acts.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable J. Sternberg do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable J. Sternberg then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Justices 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 on Tuesday, 14th August next.



19. **INSOLVENCIES IN VICTORIA.**—The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—

1. The total number of insolvencies in Victoria for 1899.
2. The total amounts and assets.
3. The salaries of the Official Accountant and staff in the Melbourne office.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

20. **PAPER.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Insolvencies in Victoria.—Return to the foregoing Order.

21. **CREMATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable F. S. Grimwade, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

On the motion of the Honorable F. S. Grimwade the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable F. S. Grimwade, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“ An Act to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

22. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 15th August next—

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading.*

23. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 14th August next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 14th August next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1900.

### *Questions.*

1. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. Whether, in view of the opinion given by the Honorable the Attorney-General and the Honorable the Solicitor-General, it is the intention of the Government to introduce a short Bill to legalize the action of the Commissioners of Savings Banks in selling Mortgage Bonds under conditions contrary to the provisions of Act No. 1481.
  2. Whether the Honorable the Treasurer has called the attention of the Commissioners of the Savings Banks to the said opinion.
2. The Hon. S. FRASER : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the non-publication of the *Year-Book*; and to ask when the promise given by the late Government will be fulfilled by the present Government.
3. The Hon. J. H. ABBOTT : To call attention to the faulty condition of the outlet works at the Coliban Reservoir, which recently necessitated the running to waste of a very large quantity of water; and to ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if the Government intend to proceed with the erection of a new and secure masonry outlet tower without any delay.
4. The Hon. Sir H. J. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General when copies of the Imperial Act establishing the Commonwealth will be obtainable.
5. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. Whether in view of the fact that the number of children boarded out with their parents or relations has increased yearly from 29 in 1895 to 455 in 1899, and the amount paid by the State has increased from £1,477 5s. 4d. to £9,882 17s. 7d., the Government will have careful inquiries made to ascertain if all the cases are such as should be assisted by public funds.
  2. Is it the intention of the Government to continue the present practice, which encourages parents to seek State aid for the support of their children.
6. The Hon. P. PHILLIPS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Sparrow Suppression Bill this Session; if not, will they afford facilities to a private Member introducing such a measure.
7. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. What amount has been paid under Acts Nos. 1564 and 1565 to the credit of the Victorian Loans Redemption Fund.
  2. What amount has been applied in purchasing or repurchasing Victorian Government Three per cent. Stock.
  3. What amount has been invested in Government security.

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. INSOLVENCY BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

## NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. The total amounts actually paid to 30th July, 1900, under each of the headings of the Schedule to the *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.
  2. The total amounts actually owing on the same date under each of the said headings.
2. The Hon. R. REID : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.
3. The Hon. A. WYNNE : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount already expended on the Collingwood line of railway, and the estimated further expenditure required.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST.

*General Business.*

## ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26TH JULY, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 4.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.  
 South Africa Military Service Bill—[3]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Supreme Court Bill—[5]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Cremation Bill—[57].  
 Insolvency Bill.—New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir Frederick Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 10, 11, and 12.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.  
 Companies Bill—[42]. (To Members only.)  
 Public and Bank Holidays Bill—[43]. (To Members only.)  
 Juvenile Smoking Suppression Bill—[48].  
 Children's Prohibition Bill—[56].  
 Report from Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Railway Communication with Mildura and Yelta, &c. Report No. 3.  
 Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from *Government Gazette* of 27th July, 1900. No. 25.

## VICTORIA.

No. 6.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. DEATH OF THE DUKE OF SAXE-COBURG AND GOTHA.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council agree to the following Address to Her Majesty the Queen, viz. :—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, the Legislative Council of Victoria, beg to express our heartfelt sympathy with Your Majesty in the sorrow which has fallen upon you by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

The intelligence of his sudden demise has been received with the keenest regret by all classes of the community in this part of Your Majesty's dominions.

We desire also to offer our condolence to Her Royal Highness the Duchess, and to the family of the late Duke on their irreparable loss.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, viz. :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Legislative Council of Victoria respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies the accompanying Address of Condolence, for presentation to Her Majesty the Queen, on the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 3.*

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, at the Law Courts, 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 ‘Treasury Bonds Act 1898.’”

“An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes.”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 7th August, 1900.

6. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899.—Part III.—Population (exclusive of Municipal Finances).

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 :—

Electric Light and Power Act 1896, Section 14.—Further Regulations to be adopted for Safety of the Public.

The Post Office Acts.—Exchange of Parcels with Hong Kong *vid* Queensland.

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Victorian Military Forces.—Alteration of Regulations.—Part III.—Section III.

Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations.

Report of the Public Service Reclassification Board.

Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890.—Minor Articles.—Rollers (Porcelain) and Pins (Brass) for Hand-power Butter-workers.

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 1899.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 14th August, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

8. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield,*" 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.
9. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Hospitals and Charities Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Hospitals and Charities 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.
10. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law concerning Letters Patent for Inventions.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Honorable J. M. Davies do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law concerning Letters Patent for Inventions,*" 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.
11. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown 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.
12. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown 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, after debate—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—
- Insolvency Bill—Consideration of Report.*  
*Electric Light and Power Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*  
*Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*  
*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1900.

### *Questions.*

1. The Hon. Sir H. J. WRIXON: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General when copies of the Imperial Act establishing the Commonwealth will be obtainable.
2. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Health to the Report of Dr. Thomas Cherry to the Royal Commission on Technical Education; and to ask if he will make arrangements that the water supply of every large city in Victoria be submitted to regular bacteriological examination.
3. The Hon. Sir A. SNOWDEN: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. If it is the intention of the Government to reconsolidate and publish a new edition of the Victorian Statutes ending with the year 1900.
  2. If so, will the Government arrange for the following matters being attended to in such publication:—
    - (a) A concise index to precede each Statute, showing the parts, divisions, and subdivisions into which such Statute is divided and the sections and subject-matter thereof.
    - (b) The head line of each page to repeat the part, division, and subdivision that such page forms a part of.
    - (c) All unrepealed Victorian Statute Law (and New South Wales Statute Law in force in Victoria, if any) not included in the Consolidated Statutes to be compiled as an addendum to the Consolidated Statutes.

### *General Business.*

#### NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. Dr. W. H. EMBLING: To move, That leave of absence for two months be granted to the Honorable N. FitzGerald on account of ill-health.
2. The Hon. W. KNOX: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Women whose names are on the Municipal Rate-Books for this year.
3. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. The total amounts actually paid to 30th July, 1900, under each of the headings of the Schedule to the *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.
  2. The total amounts actually owing on the same date under each of the said headings.
4. The Hon. R. REID: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.
5. The Hon. A. WYNNE: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount already expended on the Collingwood line of railway, and the estimated further expenditure required.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.
2. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

*Government Business.*

## ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INSOLVENCY BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

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TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. P. PHILLIPS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Defence—
  1. Whether the Defence Department has sufficient rifles and accoutrements to supply all cadets in uniform.
  2. If not, what means have been adopted to obtain them.
  3. If he will endeavour to encourage rifle practice among cadets either by increasing the supply of free ammunition or reducing the price from 2s. 6d. to half that amount.

*Government Business.*

## ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 9TH AUGUST, 1900.

- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 5.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6.  
 Newtown and Pitfield Railway Construction Bill—[1]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Hospitals and Charities Bill—[69].  
 Insolvency Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. Sternberg. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Supreme Court Bill—  
   New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)  
   New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. S. Fraser. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Licensing Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. C. J. Ham. (To Members of Council only.)

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- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 16, 17, and 18.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.  
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3.  
 Federal House of Representatives Victorian Electorates Bill—[18]. (To Members only.)  
 Cremation Bill—[57]. (To Members only.)  
 Federal House of Representatives Victorian Electorates Bill.—Amendment to be moved on the Third Reading by Mr. Gair. (To Members only.)  
 Woman Suffrage Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Irvine. (To Members only.)  
 Public Service Board.—Report. No. 21.  
 Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from *Government Gazette* of 10th August, 1900. No. 27.

VICTORIA.

No. 7.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—  
Report of the Council of Defence.
5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling moved, That leave of absence for two months be granted to the Honorable N. FitzGerald on account of ill-health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. AMOUNTS PAID AND OWING UNDER RAILWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION ACT 1898.—  
The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—  
1. The total amounts actually paid to 30th July, 1900, under each of the headings of the Schedule to the *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.  
2. The total amounts actually owing on the same date under each of the said headings.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. COLLINGWOOD RAILWAY EXPENDITURE.—The Honorable A. Wynne moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount already expended on the Collingwood line of railway, and the estimated further expenditure required.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—  
Collingwood Railway Expenditure.—Return to the foregoing Order.
9. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
The Honorable F. Brown moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 29th August instant.



10. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable N. Levi moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable N. Levi moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable N. Levi, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 29th August instant :—  
*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*
12. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—  
*Insolvency Bill—Consideration of Report.*
13. INSOLVENCY BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of clause J and the consideration of two proposed new clauses.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had reconsidered the Bill and agreed to the same with further amendments.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
*“ An Act to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency.”*  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
14. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
*“ An Act to further amend the ‘ Electric Light and Power Act 1896.’ ”*  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—  
*Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*
16. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST, 1900.

*Questions.*

1. The Hon. P. PHILLIPS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Defence—
  1. Whether the Defence Department has sufficient rifles and accoutrements to supply all cadets in uniform.
  2. If not, what means have been adopted to obtain them.
  3. If he will endeavour to encourage rifle practice among cadets either by increasing the supply of free ammunition or reducing the price from 2s. 6d. to half that amount.
2. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Health to the Report of Dr. Thomas Cherry to the Royal Commission on Technical Education; and to ask if he will make arrangements that the water supply of every large city in Victoria be submitted to regular bacteriological examination.
3. The Hon. Dr. W. H. EMBLING : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether the Government will bring in a Bill to provide one central Examining Board for trained hospital nurses.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. W. KNOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Women whose names are on the Municipal Rate-Books for this year.
2. The Hon. J. HODDINOTT : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in the possession of the Lands and Forests Departments relating to the case of A. Dabschecks.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. R. REID : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.

WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1900.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.

Licensing Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Sir A. Snowden. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

Industrial Arbitration Bill—[66].

Report of the Public Service Reclassification Board. No. 35.

## VICTORIA.

No. 8.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 4.*

The Lieutenant-Governor begs to transmit to the Legislative Council a copy of a telegraphic despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the Address of Condolence with Her Majesty the Queen and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha upon the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 20th August, 1900.

COPY OF TELEGRAM FROM THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE  
COLONIES, DATED 17TH AUGUST, 1900.

“Her Majesty commands me to convey sincere thanks for kind expressions of sympathy of  
Legislative Council.”

5. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying that the Council would not pass the amendment proposed in the Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill, by which portions of the examinations mentioned in section 11 of the *Legal Profession Practice Act 1891*, No. 1216, may be dispensed with in the case of managing clerks of ten years' standing, were presented as under :—

By the Honorable J. M. Davies—  
From the Committee of the Law Students' Society.

By the Honorable R. Reid—  
From the President, Vice-President, and Honorary Secretary of the Law Institute of  
Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.

6. CORRECTION IN INSOLVENCY BILL.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 21st August, 1900.

MR. PRESIDENT—

I have the honour to report that, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 299, I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency*” :—

In clause 15, line 42, the words “be and” have been omitted before the word “is.”

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

GEO. H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

The Honorable  
The President of the Legislative Council,  
&c., &c., &c.

7. CORRECTION IN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The President announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 21st August, 1900.

MR. PRESIDENT—

I have the honour to report that, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 299, I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896'*":—

In clause 3, page 2, line 9, the word "is" has been omitted and the word "are" inserted.

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

GEO. H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

The Honorable  
The President of the Legislative Council,  
&c., &c., &c.

8. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Royal Commission on Refrigerating Stores and Central Wine Depôt.—Report on Central Wine Depôt, with Synopsis of Evidence and Appendices.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part II. and Schedule 129A.  
Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations for Rifle Clubs.—Paragraph 16.

9. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890.'*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 21st August, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

11. ARMS EXPORTATION (CHINA) BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China,*" be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

12. WOMEN ON MUNICIPAL RATE-BOOKS.—The Honorable W. Knox moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Women whose names are on the Municipal Rate-Books for this year.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. CASE OF A. DABSHECKS.—The Honorable J. Hoddinott moved, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in the possession of the Lands and Forests Departments relating to the case of A. Dabschecks.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Newtown and Pitfield Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.*

*Hospitals and Charities Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*South Africa Military Service Bill—Consideration of Report.*

*Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

15. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1900.

*Questions.*

1. The Hon. F. S. GRIMWADE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Health to the Report of Dr. Thomas Cherry to the Royal Commission on Technical Education ; and to ask if he will make arrangements that the water supply of every large city in Victoria be submitted to regular bacteriological examination.
2. The Hon. Dr. W. H. EMBLING : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether the Government will bring in a Bill to provide one central Examining Board for trained hospital nurses.
3. The Hon. A. WYNNE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the unsatisfactory manner in which railway passes are at present issued to the unemployed ; and to ask if the Government will at once take this matter into consideration.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. R. REID : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 7.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8.

Justices Bill—[59].

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 19, 20, and 21.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 4.

Insolvency Bill—[4]. (To Members only).

Electric Light and Power Bill—[7]. (To Members only).

Coal Mines Regulation Bill—[24].

Parliamentary Elections Bill—[67].

Game Bill—[71].

Supplementary Estimates, 1899-1900. B.—No. 10.

Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June, 1901. B.—No. 11.

Statistical Register of Colony of Victoria for Year 1899.—Part III.—Population. (Exclusive of Municipal Finances.) No. 27.

Report of the Council of Defence. No. 31

## VICTORIA.

No. 9.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. ISSUE OF WRITS.—The President announced that he had, since the adjournment of the Council, issued Writs for the election of Members to serve for the undermentioned Provinces in the places of Members who retire by rotation, viz. :—

Melbourne, in the place of the Honorable John Mark Davies ;  
 North Yarra, in the place of the Honorable Frederick Sheppard Grimwade ;  
 South Yarra, in the place of the Honorable Edward Miller ;  
 Southern, in the place of the Honorable Sir Rupert Turner Havelock Clarke, Bart. ;  
 South-Western, in the place of the Honorable Sidney Austin ;  
 Nelson, in the place of the Honorable William Henry Seville Osmand ;  
 Western, in the place of the Honorable Samuel Winter Cooke ;  
 North-Western, in the place of the Honorable James Bell ;  
 Northern, in the place of the Honorable Joseph Sternberg ;  
 Wellington, in the place of the Honorable David Ham ;  
 North Central, in the place of the Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal ;  
 North-Eastern, in the place of the Honorable Arthur Otto Sachse ;  
 Gippsland, in the place of the Honorable William Pearson ; and  
 South-Eastern, in the place of the Honorable James Callender Campbell.

5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Thirty-sixth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Female Employés in Public Service and under Factories Acts.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 24th July, 1900, for a Return showing the number of females employed in each branch of the Public Service, including the Railways, up to the 31st December, 1899, and also the number employed in each of the various trades registered under the Factories Acts.

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

The Post Office Acts.—Exchange of Parcels *via* Marseilles.

Water Act 1890—

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

Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—  
Rating Regulation.

Regulation for fixing Charges for Water for 1900.

Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Increase of Trust District.

Charlton Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,000.

Echuca Borough Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £750.

Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Closer Settlement.—Copy of a Provisional Contract made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works with the British and Australasian Trust and Loan Company (Limited), dated the 6th day of August, 1900, for the purchase of the Walmer Estate for the purpose of Closer Settlement ; together with a Statement giving the particulars prescribed by section 155 of the *Land Act* 1898 in respect of the Land included in the said Provisional Contract.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

8. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,*" 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.

9. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

WM. D. BEAZLEY,  
Deputy-Speaker.

11. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred,*" be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

WM. D. BEAZLEY,  
Deputy-Speaker.

13. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*" be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
"*An Act to amend the 'Hospitals and Charities Act 1890.'*"  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
15. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—  
*South Africa Military Service Bill—Consideration of Report.*
16. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole for the consideration of a proposed new clause.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had reconsidered the Bill and agreed to the same with a further amendment.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the words "and for other purposes" be added to the title.  
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the amended title of the Bill :—  
"*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service and for other purposes.*"  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

17. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
18. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
“*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred.*”  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—  
“*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.*”  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
20. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—  
*Rifle Ranges Contribution Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*
22. PENNY POSTAGE.—The Honorable R. Reid moved, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
23. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—  
Penny Postage.—Return to the foregoing Order.
24. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
25. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading.
2. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

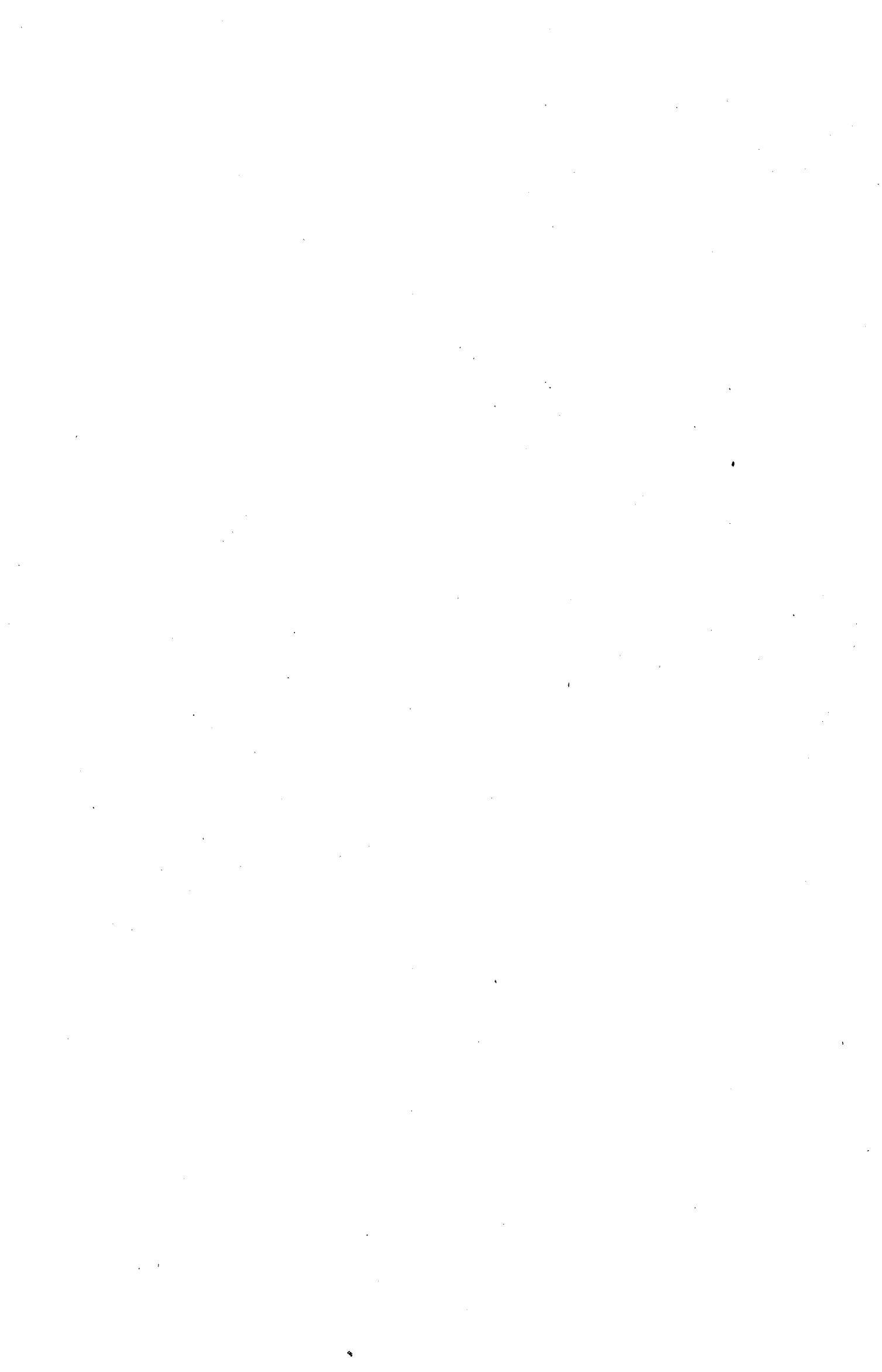
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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND AUGUST, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 8.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 9.  
 Woman Suffrage Bill—[28]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Licensing Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. E. Miller. (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 22 and 23.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 24.  
 Supreme Court Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)  
 Voting by Post Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Irvine. (To Members only.)  
 Traction Engine Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Grose on the Third Reading. (To Members only.)  
 Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from *Government Gazette* of 24th August, 1900.  
 No. 29. (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 10.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—His Honour Mr. Justice Hodges, a Commissioner from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to administer the Oath prescribed by the twenty-eighth section of the Act No. 1075, was introduced by the Usher.

The Commissioner handed his Commission to the Clerk, who read the same as follows :—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

To Henry Edward Agincourt Hodges, Esquire, Judge of Our Supreme Court in Our Colony of Victoria :

## GREETING :

WHEREAS by the twenty-eighth section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890*, No. 1075, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act : Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the said Colony, do by these presents command and authorize you to proceed to the Parliament House, in the City of Melbourne, on Tuesday, the fourth day of September instant, at half-past Four of the clock in the afternoon, then and there to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Council as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Council.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, in the said Colony, this third day of September, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred, and in the sixty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. McLEAN.

Entered on Record by me in the Register of Patents, Book 24,  
page 230, this third day of September, One thousand nine  
hundred.

CHARLES A. TOPP.

3. RETURNS TO WRITS.—The Clerk announced the receipt of returns to Writs, issued by the President of the Council, for the election of Members to serve for the undermentioned Provinces, in the places of Members retiring by rotation, and by the indorsements on the Writs it appeared that the following Members had been returned for the several Electoral Provinces set opposite their respective names, viz. :—

The Honorable John Mark Davies, for the Melbourne Province ;  
The Honorable Frederick Sheppard Grimwade, for the North Yarra Province ;  
The Honorable Edward Miller, for the South Yarra Province ;  
The Honorable Sir Rupert Turner Havelock Clarke, Bart., for the Southern Province ;  
The Honorable Sidney Austin, for the South-Western Province ;  
The Honorable William Henry Seville Osmand, for the Nelson Province ;  
The Honorable Samuel Winter Cooke, for the Western Province ;  
The Honorable Joseph Sternberg, for the Northern Province ;  
The Honorable David Ham, for the Wellington Province ;  
The Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal, for the North Central Province ;  
The Honorable Arthur Otto Sachse for the North-Eastern Province ;  
The Honorable William Pearson, for the Gippsland Province ; and  
The Honorable James Callender Campbell, for the South-Eastern Province.



4. **SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS.**—The Honorables S. Austin, J. C. Campbell, S. W. Cooke, J. M. Davies, F. S. Grimwade, D. Ham, E. Miller, W. H. S. Osmand, W. Pearson, and Sir W. A. Zeal, having severally approached the Table, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SIDNEY AUSTIN, of Geelong, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Winchelsea, and are known as ‘Karngun Paddocks.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Winchelsea are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds.

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

“SIDNEY AUSTIN.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES CALLENDER CAMPBELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as Myrtle Grove, situate in New-street and North-road, town of Brighton, containing seven and one-half acres or thereabouts, on which is erected a two-storied brick house, containing sixteen rooms; also an allotment of land situate at Elwood-street, Brighton.

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

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

“JAS. C. CAMPBELL.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SAMUEL WINTER COOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dundas, and are known as ‘Murndal.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dundas are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand four hundred and sixty pounds.

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

“SAML. WINTER COOKE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN MARK DAVIES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotments fifty-six, fifty-seven, and fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing six hundred and twenty-five acres and twenty perches or thereabouts.

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

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

“JNO. M. DAVIES.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK SHEPPARD GRIMWADE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as ‘Harleston,’ situate at the corner of Balaclava and Orrong roads.

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

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

“F. S. GRIMWADE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DAVID HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat East, and are known as the Exhibition Mart and dwelling-houses situated in Victoria and Main streets.

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

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

“DAVID HAM.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such land or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as part of ‘Findon’ Estate, being land measuring four acres, situate corner of Barker’s-road and Findon-street.

“And I further declare that such said land situate in the municipal district of Kew is rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty-five pounds.

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

“EDWARD MILLER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM HENRY SEVILLE OSMAND, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and forty-nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Stawell, and are known as the Concongella Estate in the parishes of Stawell and Concongella, and ‘The Sycamores,’ in the parishes of Stawell and Watta Wella.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Stawell Shire are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and forty-nine pounds.

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

“W. H. S. OSMAND.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Wodonga, and are known as ‘Bonegilla,’ containing five thousand five hundred and eighteen acres or thereabouts.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Wodonga are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Seven hundred pounds.

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

“WM. PEARSON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM AUSTIN ZEAL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred and forty-four pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Melbourne, South Melbourne, and Prahran, and are known as—

“Parts of Crown allotments 2, 3, and 4, section 24, city of Melbourne; part of Crown allotment 3, section I; Crown allotment 4, section I; and Crown allotment 4, section L, city of South Melbourne; and parts of Crown portions 14, 17, 18, and 20, city of Prahran, at Toorak.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and eighty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and forty-two pounds; and that such of the said lands and tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and twenty-two pounds.

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

"W. A. ZEAL."

The Commissioner attested the Oath Roll.

The Commissioner withdrew.

5. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Clerk announced that the time had arrived for proceeding to the election of a President of the Council.

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, addressing the Clerk, proposed to the Council for their President the Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal; and moved, That the Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal do take the Chair of the Council as President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable C. J. Ham.

The Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal, addressing the Clerk, expressed the high sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the Council.

The Council then unanimously calling the Honorable Sir William Austin Zeal to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood and the Honorable C. J. Ham and conducted to the Chair; and, standing on the dais, he returned his acknowledgments to the Council for the great honour that had been conferred upon him, and thereupon he took the Chair of the President.

Then the Honorable J. M. Davies congratulated the Honorable the President.

6. RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT BY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. M. Davies announced that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor would be pleased to receive the Honorable the President at half-past Five o'clock, at the Government Offices.

The President, accompanied by honorable Members, then proceeded to the Government Offices—

And being returned, the President took the Chair and read the Prayer.

The President reported that, accompanied by honorable Members, he had presented himself to the Lieutenant-Governor, who had been pleased to approve of the choice made by the Council, and had addressed him in the following terms:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

I am greatly gratified at the announcement which you have just made to me.

No one can fail to appreciate the great importance of Parliament's appointing to its special honours and dignities suitable men, as happily it is its custom.

You, Sir, have during a long period of your life had active personal association with the troubles and difficulties of the labouring classes of Australia. With the producing classes of the country you have had also an intimate personal co-operation. Your knowledge of the financial and commercial interests of our people is profound and very general, and thus you are eminently well equipped with the qualifications of a sound legislator and director of public affairs.

For a life-time your patriotic ambition has kept you in closest sympathetic touch with the political aspiration and proceedings of Australia, and for many years you have been intrusted with the great authority and responsibility attaching to the President of the Legislative Council.

You have never failed to remember what great things the honour and independence and dignity of Parliament are. You have known how to be strong without ever seeming to overbear. Therefore, in expressing, on behalf of Her Majesty, my constitutional approval of the Legislative Council's choice of you for its President once again, I do so with whole-souled satisfaction.

JOHN MADDEN.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

8. WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate,*" 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.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

10. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines,*" 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.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

12. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" be now read a first time.

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

13. RIFLE RANGES CONTRIBUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
Question—put and negatived.

14. ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The President having announced that the Chairman of Committees was unavoidably absent—

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorable R. Reid perform the duties of Chairman of Committees during this evening.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

- Women's Suffrage Bill—Second reading.*
- Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*
- Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*
- Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading.
2. VOTING BY POST BILL—Second reading.
3. WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL—Second reading.
4. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. A. WYNNE: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. In what percentage of complete patent applications under the *Patents Act 1890* has the patent been finally refused for want of novelty, the prior reference not being the applicant's own invention (or the like), patented elsewhere.
  2. In what percentage of such final refusals did the applicants appeal to the Attorney-General.
  3. In what percentage of such refusals were the applications conducted by a patent agent.
  4. In what percentage of such refusals were the applicants persons residing outside the Australasian Colonies.
  5. In what percentage of patents applied for has a patent been finally refused under the *Patents Act 1890*, on the ground that the presented statutory declaration had not been filed.
  6. What were the reasons stated in each case for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
2. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
4. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1900.

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 No. 30. (To Members only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 11.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—The President announced that he had received from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the following Commission :—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

To The Honorable Sir WILLIAM AUSTIN ZEAL, K.C.M.G., President of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Victoria :

## GREETING :

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

(L.S.) Given under my hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, in the said Colony, this tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred, and in the sixty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. McLEAN.

Entered on Record by me in the Register of Patents, Book 24, page 230, this tenth day of September, One thousand nine hundred.

CHARLES A. TOPP.

5. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that there had been returned to him the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Western Province in the place of the Honorable James Bell, who had retired by rotation; and by the indorsement on such Writ it appeared that the Honorable James Bell had been elected in pursuance thereof.
6. SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables J. Bell, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg, being severally introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES BELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dunolly, and are known as my property, being allotments 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of section 26, and allotments 8<sup>b</sup> and 9 of section 12, town of Dunolly.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dunolly are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds.

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

“JAMES BELL.”



"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Thrapston,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.

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

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

"A. O. SACHSE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shires of Deakin and Echuca, and are known as—firstly, Crown allotments 91, 92, 93, and 133, parish of Kyabram, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; secondly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; thirdly, Crown allotments 4 and 5, section 1A, township and parish of Rochester, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1190, fol. 237802; fourthly, part of Crown allotment 3, section 3A, township of Rochester, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1828, fol. 365402, and which land is situated in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca; fifthly, allotment 64, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are firstly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-five pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are secondly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Thirty-six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are thirdly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fourthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Twenty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fifthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ten pounds.

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

"JOSEPH STERNBERG."

7. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Thirty-fourth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st March, 1899, to 31st March, 1900. The Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Amounts paid and owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 15th August, 1900, for a Return showing—

1. The total amounts actually paid to 30th July, 1900, under each of the headings of the Schedule to the *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.
2. The total amounts actually owing on the same date under each of the said headings.

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

Water Act 1890.—Marquis Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Shire of Numurkah Waterworks Trust.—Additional Loan of £6,000.

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1899, to 31st December, 1899.

Mines Acts.—Alteration of Regulations relating to Mining Leases.

Report upon the affairs of the Post Office and Telegraph Department for the year 1899.

Statements of Receipts and Disbursements of the Marine Board of Victoria on Pilotage Account from the 1st January to 31st December, 1899.

Addition to Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part IV.

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1899.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 5.*

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

*“An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China.”*

Law Courts,  
Melbourne, 23rd August, 1900.

9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 6.*

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

*“An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays.”*

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

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

Law Courts,  
Melbourne, 29th August, 1900.

10. PETITIONS.—The Honorable R. Reid presented a Petition from certain women resident in Victoria, praying that the Council would not pass the Women's Suffrage Bill, at least until the bulk of the women of Victoria have expressed an opinion upon the subject.

Petition read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Similar Petitions were presented as under :—

- By the Honorable J. Y. McDonald—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable T. Brunton—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- From certain women resident in Romsey.
- By the Honorable W. H. S. Osmand—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable W. Knox—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable W. I. Winter-Irving—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable S. W. Cooke—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable A. O. Sachse—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable J. Hoddinott—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable T. Comrie—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.
- By the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon—  
From certain women resident in Victoria.

The following Petitions, praying that the Council would pass the Women's Suffrage Bill, were presented as under :—

- By the Honorable J. Bell—  
From certain residents of Nhill and district.
- By the Honorable W. H. S. Osmand—  
From certain women resident at Ararat.
- By the Honorable D. Ham—  
From the Executive Officers of the Grand Lodge of Victoria of the Independent Order of Good Templars.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

11. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorable the President, S. Austin, J. Bell, S. W. Cooke, and the Mover be Members of the Standing Orders Committee.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. **PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorable the President be a Member of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorables the President and F. S. Grimwade be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Honorables the President, Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., D. Ham, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Printing Committee.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Honorable A. O. Sachse be a Member of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. **PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.**—The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Honorable Frederick Sheppard Grimwade be appointed a Member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 25th September instant:—  
*Women's Suffrage Bill—Second reading.*
18. **VOTING BY POST BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
19. **WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—  
*“An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate.”*  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
20. **PETITION.**—The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, by leave, presented a Petition from certain citizens interested in promoting commercial prosperity, in favour of the present law that persons shall not receive Patents when the records show that they are not entitled to them, and of the continuation of the present official examinations, and praying that the Council would reject anything to a contrary effect in the Patents Law Amendment Bill.  
Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.
21. **PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

22. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 11th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

23. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 11th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

24. APPLICATIONS FOR PATENTS.—The Honorable A. Wynne moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—

1. In what percentage of complete patent applications under the *Patents Act 1890* has the patent been finally refused for want of novelty, the prior reference not being the applicant's own invention (or the like), patented elsewhere.
2. In what percentage of such final refusals did the applicants appeal to the Attorney-General.
3. In what percentage of such refusals were the applications conducted by a patent agent.
4. In what percentage of such refusals were the applicants persons residing outside the Australasian Colonies.
5. In what percentage of patents applied for has a patent been finally refused under the *Patents Act 1890*, on the ground that the presented statutory declaration had not been filed.
6. What were the reasons stated in each case for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

25. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown 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.

26. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 19th September instant :—

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

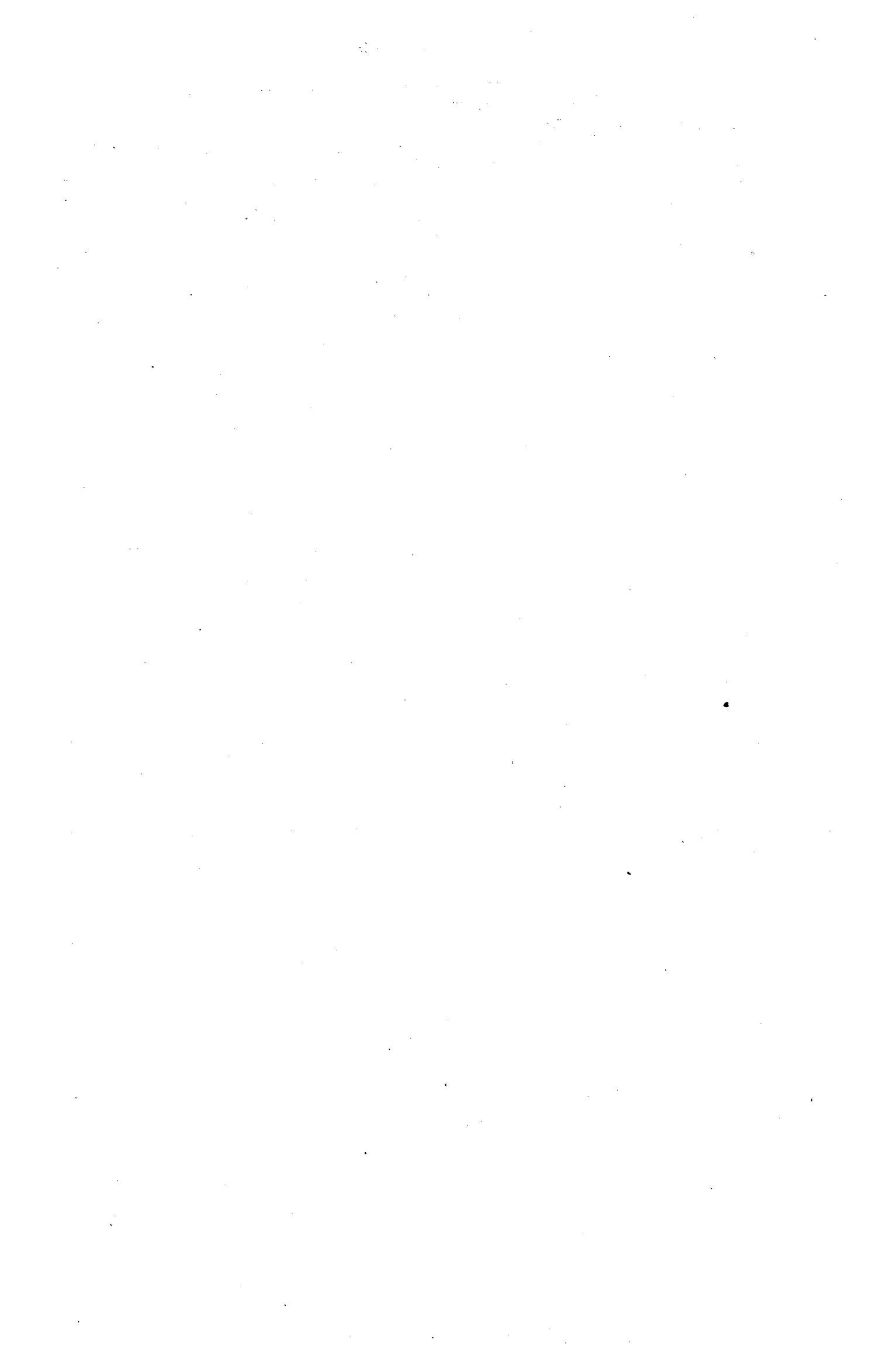
*Traction Engines Regulation Bill—Second reading.*  
*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

28. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
2. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
3. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. HODDINOTT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim; such Committee to consist of the Honorables E. J. Crooke, T. Comrie, J. Y. McDonald, J. Sternberg, A. O. Sachse, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
2. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

TUESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 18th September.*

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

(160 copies.)

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1900

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 10.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.

South Africa Military Service Bill.—Amendment made by the Legislative Council.—How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Supreme Court Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Council.—How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 27 and 28.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill No. 2—[64].

Surplus Revenue Bill—[72].

Electric Light and Power Bill—

New Clause proposed in Committee by Mr. Mauger on 5 h September, 1900. (To Members only.)

New Clause to be proposed on consideration of the Report by Mr. Maloney. (To Members only.)

Births Deaths and Marriages Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Irvine. (To Members only.)

Companies Bill—

New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Fink. (To Members only.)

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

Report from Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Railway from Moe to Walhalla, &c. Report No. 4.

## VICTORIA.

No. 12.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor—

Correspondence relating to the Eastern Extension Company's Proposals for Additional Telegraph Communication between Great Britain and Australasia *via* the Cape of Good Hope, and the Proposals for a Submarine Cable between Canada and Australasia across the Pacific Ocean.

Royal Commission on Technical Education.—Fourth Progress Report on Technical Education.—Review of Progress and Condition of Agricultural Education in Great Britain, Europe, America, and the Australian Colonies.—Agricultural Education in Victoria.—Report and Recommendations.—A General Council of Education.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Women on Municipal Rate-books.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 21st August, 1900, for a Return showing the number of Women whose names are on the Municipal Rate-books for this year.

Applications for Patents.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 11th September, 1900, for a Return showing—

1. In what percentage of complete patent applications under the *Patents Act 1890* has the patent been finally refused for want of novelty, the prior reference not being the applicant's own invention (or the like), patented elsewhere.
2. In what percentage of such final refusals did the applicants appeal to the Attorney-General.
3. In what percentage of such refusals were the applications conducted by a patent agent.
4. In what percentage of such refusals were the applicants persons residing outside the Australasian Colonies.
5. In what percentage of patents applied for has a patent been finally refused under the *Patents Act 1890*, on the ground that the presented statutory declaration had not been filed.
6. What were the reasons stated in each case for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.



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

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £600.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the year ending 30th June, 1900.

5. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Council and disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read—the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
1. Clause 5, omit this clause      ...      ...      ...      ...	Disagreed with.
4. Clause 10, omit this clause and insert the following new clause :—	
A. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act all rules regulations or orders made by the Supreme Court or any Judges thereof by virtue of the provisions of any Act now or hereafter in force conferring power on the Supreme Court or any Judges thereof to make rules regulations or orders for the purpose of carrying any Act of Parliament into effect shall be published in the <i>Government Gazette</i> and shall take effect from such publication or from any later date prescribed in any such rule regulation or order. All such rules regulations and orders shall be laid before each House of Parliament within forty days next after they are so published if Parliament is then sitting or if Parliament is not sitting then within forty days after the commencement of the next ensuing session.	
(2) When any rules regulations or orders are published as aforesaid the Governor may thereupon by Order in Council published in the <i>Government Gazette</i> suspend the operation of any such rule regulation or order until the expiration of the next subsequent ten days on which each such House shall have sat after such rules regulations or orders shall have been so laid before each House of Parliament, and any rule regulation or order so suspended shall while so suspended be void and of no effect but without prejudice to the validity of any proceedings which may in the meantime before such suspension have been taken under the same.	Agreed to with the following amendments :—Sub-section (2), line 6, omit “ten” and insert “fourteen”; sub-section (3), line 5, omit “ten” and insert “fourteen.”
(3) After any such rules regulations or orders shall have been laid before each House of Parliament if an Address is presented to the Governor by either House of Parliament within the next subsequent ten days on which such House shall have sat praying that any rule regulation or order so laid before such House may be annulled, the Governor may thereupon by Order in Council published in the <i>Government Gazette</i> annul the same; and any rule regulation or order so annulled shall thenceforth become void and of no effect but without prejudice to the validity of any proceedings which may in the meantime have been taken under the same.	
5. After clause 10 insert the following new clause :—	
C. All proceedings to make rates and other moneys under the Local Government Acts a charge on any property shall be taken in the County Court.	Disagreed with.

Amendment 1, after debate, insisted on.

Amendments of the Legislative Assembly in amendment 4 agreed to.

Amendment 5 not insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they do not insist on another, and that they have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council.

6. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Council and agreed to by the Legislative Assembly with amendments, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

4. After clause 6 add the following new head-line and clause :—

PART III.—ELECTORAL.

A. For the purposes of sections fifty-one, sixty-three, one hundred and twenty-eight, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-six, or two hundred and forty-four of The Constitution Act Amendment Acts any period during which a person who has resided in Victoria is or has been absent from Victoria on military or naval service with Her Majesty's army or navy in South Africa or China (including travelling thereto and therefrom) shall be treated as residence in Victoria.

Agreed to with the following amendments:—In the head-line omit "Electoral"; line 5, after "Acts" insert "and for the purpose of section eight of the *Income Tax Act 1895.*"

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

7. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

8. VISIT TO AUSTRALASIA OF T.R.H. THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK.—The Honorable J. M. Davies announced that the following communication had been received by the Honorable the Premier :—

From Adelaide to Governor, Victoria.

18th September, 1900.

Following telegram received from Secretary of State :—

"Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to assent, on the recommendation of the Marquis of Salisbury, to the visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York to the Colonies of Australasia in the spring of next year.

"His Royal Highness the Duke of York will be commissioned by Her Majesty the Queen to open the first Session of the Parliament of Australian Commonwealth in her name.

"Although the Queen naturally shrinks from parting with her grandson for so long a period, Her Majesty the Queen fully recognises the greatness of the occasion which will bring her colonies of Australia into Federal union, and desires to give this special proof of her interest in all that concerns the welfare of her Australian subjects.

"Her Majesty the Queen at the same time wishes to signify her sense of the loyalty and devotion which has prompted the spontaneous aid so liberally offered by all the colonies in the South African war, and of the splendid gallantry of her colonial troops.

"Her Majesty's assent to this visit is, of course, given on the assumption that at the time fixed for the Duke of York's departure the circumstances are as generally favorable as at present and that no national interests call for His Royal Highness's presence in this country."

(Signed) TENNYSON.

Forwarded by direction of His Excellency to the Honorable the Premier.

F. S. CAMPBELL, P.S.

18th September, 1900.

9. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

11. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Marriage Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

13. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Marriage Act 1890,'*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

15. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893,'*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

17. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890,'*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Traction Engines Regulation Bill—Second reading.*

*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report.*

20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 2nd October next :—

*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. HODDINOTT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim ; such Committee to consist of the Honorables E. J. Crooke, T. Comrie, J. Y. McDonald, J. Sternberg, A. O. Sachse, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
6. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL—Second reading.
3. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
4. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. Sir H. CUTHBERT : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. Is it the intention of the Government to dispense with the services of the Taxing Master, and to appoint a new Taxing Master in his place.
  2. If so, what position is the present Taxing Master to occupy ; and if appointed to some other office, is he to be entitled to retain the same amount of salary which is now attached to his office.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 25th September.*

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 11.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 12.  
 Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Bill—[35]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893 Amendment Bill—[36]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Marriage Bill—[37]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Licensing Amendment Bill—[60]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Assembly Electoral Rolls Bill—[83]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Electric Light and Power Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Voting by Post Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. M. Davies. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Female Employés in Public Service and under Factories Acts.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C2.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 29, 30, and 31.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32.  
 Wine Adulteration Prevention Bill—[79].  
 Moë and Walhalla Railway Construction Bill—[87].  
 Factories and Shops Bill—[89].  
 Insolvency Bill.—New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Gair. (To Members only.)  
 Federal House of Representatives Victorian Electorates Bill.—New Schedule. (To Members only.)  
 Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from *Government Gazette* of 14th September, 1900. No. 31. (To Members only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 13.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. SWEARING-IN OF MEMBER.—The Honorable Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by law and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, Sir RUPERT TURNER HAVELOCK CLARKE, Bart., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and eighty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Merriang, and are known as nine thousand seven hundred and five acres, in the parish of Darraweit Guim, No. 4 in the rate-book.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Merriang are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and eighty-three pounds.

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

“RUPERT T. H. CLARKE.”

5. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council an Address to Her Majesty the Queen expressing gratification at the intelligence of the intended visit to the Australasian Colonies of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York ; also an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with reference thereto, with which Addresses the Legislative Assembly desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 19th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

The Address to Her Majesty the Queen was read by the Honorable the President, and is as follows :—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our gratification at the intelligence which we have received of the intended visit to the Australasian Colonies, early next year, of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York.

The news has been hailed with enthusiasm by all classes of the community in this portion of Your Majesty's Empire.

The opening of the First Session of the Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth by His Royal Highness the Duke of York, on behalf of Your Majesty, as proposed, will give a dignity and lustre to the ceremonial which will render it memorable for all time in the history of the British race.

We are deeply sensible of the great sacrifice which Your Majesty is making in assenting to the Duke and Duchess of York undertaking a voyage to Australia, and also of the inconvenience and labour which the visit must necessarily entail on Their Royal Highnesses.

We cordially thank Your Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses for such a distinguished mark of Royal favour.

We most heartily appreciate the gracious terms in which Your Majesty has been pleased to communicate your message to the Australian Colonies, and especially the kindly recognition of the loyalty of these colonies as manifested in connexion with the South African war and the services rendered by the Australian troops in that campaign.

We fervently trust that no untoward circumstances will prevent the consummation of the contemplated visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York; that their brief sojourn here may be to them in every respect a happy one; and that on their return to England they will be able to personally assure Your Majesty of the continued loyalty and devotion of the people of Australia to Your Majesty's Throne and person.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Address, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the."

The Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was read by the Honorable the President, and is as follows :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to forward, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies the accompanying Address for presentation to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House agree with the Legislative Assembly in the said Address.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Address, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the."

7. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

8. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable W. I. Winter-Irving moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable W. I. Winter-Irving moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable W. I. Winter-Irving, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

9. **ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly having been read—the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, at the end of sub-section (2) insert the following proviso :—

“Provided that every council company or person applying for the approval of the Governor in Council to any such contract or assignment except in cases where such application has been made before the passing of this Act shall publish notice of such application by public advertisement in such manner and including such particulars as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct or approve ; and such Order shall not be granted by the Governor in Council until after the expiration of a period of three months from the date of the first publication of such advertisement nor until opportunity has been given within such three months to all parties interested to make representations or objections to the Minister with reference to the application.”

After clause 4 add the following new clauses :—

2. A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act any agreement existing between the A. U. Alcock Company and the Collingwood City Council at the time of the passing of the said Act shall be made a condition of the Order.
3. B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.
4. C. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or this Act no municipal council shall transfer any legal powers given to such council by the Principal Act or by this Act or by any Order in Council thereunder or give its consent to the granting of any Order under the Principal Act if forbidden by a poll of the ratepayers of such municipal district taken as herein provided. Notice of intention to take such poll shall be advertised twice in some newspaper published in the municipal district (or if there is no newspaper published in the municipal district then once in the *Argus* newspaper and once in the *Age* newspaper). The majority of the votes of the ratepayers taken on such poll shall decide the question but in other respects the votes of the ratepayers shall be taken upon the question in as nearly as possible the like manner as the votes of ratepayers desiring to forbid a council from proceeding further with a loan are taken under Part XI. of the *Local Government Act 1890* and any enactment amending the same, and the said Part and any enactment amending the same and the Nineteenth Schedule to the said Act shall be read and construed with such substitutions as may be necessary for such purpose and any reference therein to the forbidding of a loan shall be deemed and taken to refer to the forbidding of the proposed transfer.

Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the amendments be postponed until Tuesday next.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report.*

*Voting by Post Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Electoral Rolls (Legislative Assembly) Bill—Second reading.*

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next :—

*Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 3rd October next :—

*Marriage Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.





# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

### *Questions.*

1. The Hon. Sir H. CUTHBERT : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
  1. Is it the intention of the Government to dispense with the services of the Taxing Master, and to appoint a new Taxing Master in his place.
  2. If so, what position is the present Taxing Master to occupy; and if appointed to some other office, is he to be entitled to retain the same amount of salary which is now attached to his office.
2. The Hon. Sir H. J. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will inquire into the circumstances in which a justice of the peace lately issued a warrant to arrest a young woman on a charge of perjury; and, should the facts prove to be as they are stated in the press, will he take such steps as may be within his power to prevent such an abuse of the process of the law in future.

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading.
2. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL—Second reading.
4. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be further considered.
5. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

### *General Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

WEDNESDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.

### *General Business.*

#### NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. HODDINOTT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim; such Committee to consist of the Honorables E. J. Croke, T. Comrie, J. Y. McDonald, J. Sternberg, A. O. Sachse, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 25th September.*

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.

Traction Engine Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 33.

Bungaree Race-course Railway Construction Bill—[84].

Supreme Court Bill.—Amendment of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Royal Commission on Technical Education.—Fourth Progress Report on Technical Education. No. 19.

Report from Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta, &c. Report No. 6.

## VICTORIA.

No. 14.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. PETITIONS.—The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling presented a Petition from certain women resident in Victoria, praying that the Council would reject the Women's Suffrage Bill.  
The Honorable W. Knox presented a Petition from certain women resident in Victoria, praying that the Council would not pass the Women's Suffrage Bill, at least until the bulk of the women of Victoria have expressed an opinion upon the subject.  
The following Petitions praying that the Council would pass the Women's Suffrage Bill were presented as under :—  
By the Honorable W. H. S. Osmand—  
From certain women resident in Cobden and district.  
From certain women resident at Amphitheatre.  
By the Honorable J. M. Davies—  
From certain women resident in Richmond.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—  
Report of the Royal Commission on Religious Instruction in State Schools.  
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 :—  
Public Service Act 1890.—Regulation.  
Water Acts—  
Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—  
Control of Pyramid Creek.  
Increase of Trust District.  
Construction of Subway on No. 2 Channel.—Order repealed.  
Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st March, 1900.
6. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and take precedence of all other business.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the Number of Members for each Division,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 25th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

8. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the Number of Members for each Division,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walkalla,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 25th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

10. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walkalla,*" be now read a first time.

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

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 25th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

12. CENSUS BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one,*" 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

*Voting by Post Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Electoral Rolls (Legislative Assembly) Bill—Second reading.*

*Electric Light and Power Bill—Message from the Legislative Assembly—To be further considered.*

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report.*

*St. Kilda Loan Act 1893 Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence):—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. HODDINOTT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim; such Committee to consist of the Honorables E. J. Crooke, T. Comrie, J. Y. McDonald, J. Sternberg, A. O. Sachse, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL—Second reading.
2. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. CENSUS BILL—Second reading.
4. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL—Second reading.
6. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be further considered.
7. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 12 and 13.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.  
 Census Bill—[13]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Federal House of Representatives Victorian Electorates Bill—[18]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Moe and Walhalla Railway Construction Bill—[87]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Women on Municipal Rate-Books.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C4.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 32, 33, and 34.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 35.  
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 6.  
 Land Bill No. 2—[23].  
 Prince's Bridge Approach Bill—[25].  
 Coal Mines Regulation Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Outtrim. (To Members only.)  
 Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the Year ending 30th June, 1900. No. 47.  
 Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Special Railway Rates, &c. Report No. 5.

## VICTORIA.

No. 15.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Question—put.  
The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. E. J. Crooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
J. M. Davies  
C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
D. Melville  
Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.  
A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

J. H. Abbott  
Sir A. Snowden.

Noes, 22.

The Hon. J. Bell  
F. Brown  
T. Comrie  
S. W. Cooke  
T. C. Harwood  
J. Hoddinott  
W. Knox  
N. Levi  
J. Y. McDonald  
E. Miller  
E. Morey  
W. H. S. Osmand  
W. Pearson  
P. Phillips  
W. Pitt  
R. Reid  
J. Sternberg  
N. Thornley  
W. I. Winter-Irving  
Sir H. J. Wrixon.

*Tellers.*

Dr. W. H. Embling  
A. O. Sachse.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.



6. **SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred,*” 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.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 5, but have made an amendment in the clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

8. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

9. **CASE OF A. DABSHECK.**—The Honorable J. Hoddinott moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim ; such Committee to consist of the Honorables T. Comrie, E. J. Crooke, J. Y. McDonald, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. **PETITION.**—The Honorable N. Thornley, by leave, presented a Petition from the Mayor and Councillors of the Town of Warrnambool, praying that the Council would expunge the name “Corangamite” from the Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill, and substitute therefor the name “Warrnambool.”

Ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee on the Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.

11. **FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“*An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the Number of Members for each Division.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

12. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

13. **LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report on this Bill having been read—the President said :—

With reference to the question raised by the Honorable Mr. C. J. Ham at a previous sitting of the Council, when he desired to move for the recomittal of the Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill to reconsider a clause which had been previously proposed by him in Committee, and which was negatived, I have now to inform the House that since the adjournment last Wednesday night I have given this matter the fullest consideration, and I am still of opinion that the honorable Member will not be in order in proposing to recommit the Bill for the consideration of a clause which has already been considered in Committee and negatived.

If such a practice were adopted there could be no possible finality in dealing with amendments in Committee on a Bill, and, although it is distinctly laid down by Hatsell and May "that in every stage of a Bill every part of a Bill is open to amendment either for insertion or omission, whether the same amendment has been in a former stage accepted or rejected," still I would point out that, if an amendment has been proposed in Committee and there negatived, it is at some subsequent stage that a similar amendment must be offered for consideration.

I would, therefore, suggest to the Honorable Mr. Ham, that if he wishes again to obtain the sense of the House on the clause which was negatived in Committee, he can do so by giving notice now that on the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Bill he will move that the clause in question be added to the Bill.

The Honorable C. J. Ham moved, by leave, That the following clause be added to the Bill :—

AA. Every plain-clothes constable on producing the medal of the plain-clothes police and every sergeant of police may without further or other authority than this Act demand entrance from time to time into any licensed victualler's or colonial wine licensee's premises or the appurtenances thereof at any time by day or night, and if admittance be delayed for such time as that it may be reasonably inferred that wilful delay was intended the offender shall forfeit and pay any sum not less than Two pounds or more than Ten pounds; and if such admittance be refused or wilfully delayed such constable or sergeant may break into any such premises.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be added be so added—put and negatived.

On the motion of the Honorable N. Levi the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable N. Levi, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable N. Levi moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890.'"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. **RECOMMITTAL OF BILL TO RECONSIDER A CLAUSE PREVIOUSLY NEGATIVED IN COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the question involved in the ruling given by the Honorable the President in reference to the proposed recomittal of the Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill, for the purpose of reconsidering a clause which had been previously negatived in Committee, be referred to the Standing Orders Committee for consideration and report.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of the 'Weights and Measures Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

16. **WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of the 'Weights and Measures Act 1890,'*" 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.

17. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

18. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Dairying Companies Act 1900,’*” 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.

19. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

20. GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL.—The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes,*” 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.

21. ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report on this Bill having been read—on the motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

“*An Act to amend the ‘Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893.’*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

22. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

23. CENSUS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

“*An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

24. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

25. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly having been read—the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

After clause 4 add the following new clauses :—

3. B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.
4. C. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or this Act no municipal council shall transfer any legal powers given to such council by the Principal Act or by this Act or by any Order in Council thereunder or give its consent to the granting of any Order under the Principal Act if forbidden by a poll of the ratepayers of such municipal district taken as herein provided. Notice of intention to take such poll shall be advertised twice in some newspaper published in the municipal district (or if there is no newspaper published in the municipal district then once in the *Argus* newspaper and once in the *Age* newspaper). The majority of the votes of the ratepayers taken on such poll shall decide the question but in other respects the votes of the ratepayers shall be taken upon the question in as nearly as possible the like manner as the votes of ratepayers desiring to forbid a council from proceeding further with a loan are taken under Part XI. of the *Local Government Act 1890* and any enactment amending the same, and the said Part and any enactment amending the same and the Nineteenth Schedule to the said Act shall be read and construed with such substitutions as may be necessary for such purpose and any reference therein to the forbidding of a loan shall be deemed and taken to refer to the forbidding of the proposed transfer.

Amendment 3, after debate, agreed to with the following amendments :—Line 1, omit “or using”; line 8, omit “extra” and insert “overtime on”; same line, omit “labour” where it first occurs; same line, before “shall” omit “labour” and insert “overtime”; line 11, omit “Fifty” and insert “Ten.”

Amendment 4 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly and have agreed to another of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

26. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next :—

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Voting by Post Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

28. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
3. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
4. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

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Geelong Market Site Bill—[44]. (To Members of Council only.)

Weights and Measures Bill—[47]. (To Members of Council only.)

Dairying Companies Bill—[54]. (To Members of Council only.)

Surplus Revenue Bill—[72]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.

Report of the Royal Commission on Religious Instruction in State Schools. No. 44.

## VICTORIA.

No. 16.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 7.*

The Lieutenant-Governor begs to transmit to the Legislative Council a copy of a telegraphic Despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary <sup>29th September, 1900.</sup> of State for the Colonies, relative to the Joint Address cabled on behalf of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, in connexion with the announcement of the intended visit to Australia of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

*Telegram from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 29th September, 1900.*

Her Majesty commands me to convey sincere thanks of herself and Duke and Duchess of York for loyal enthusiasm with which people of Victoria have received announcement of Their Royal Highnesses' intended visit to Australia. Her Majesty the Queen requests you will thank both Houses of the Legislature for their loyal Address, which has been a source of much gratification to the Queen.

5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Twelfth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—The Pyrenees and minor Kara Kara Reserves, North-Western District, and Tambo Reserves, East Gippsland; with a short review of the work completed by the Commission.

Mine Ventilation.—Final Report of the Mine Ventilation Bonus Board.

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 :—

Omeo Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £400.

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part IV.

Education Act 1890 and Teachers Act 1893.—Regulations.

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1900.

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict. cap. 55, during the year 1899–1900.

Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Closer Settlement.—Copy of a Provisional Contract made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works with William Hyem, dated the 26th day of September, 1900, for the Purchase of the Whitfield Estate for the purpose of Closer Settlement; together with a Statement giving the Particulars prescribed by Section 155 of the *Land Act 1898* in respect of the Land included in the said Provisional Contract.



5. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

7. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made and insisted on by the Legislative Council to omit clause 5 in this Bill, and disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, but an amendment now made in the clause, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

1. Clause 5, omit this clause.

Disagreed with by the Assembly and insisted on by the Council.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly, but the following amendment made in the clause:—Clause 5, page 3, line 3, omit all the words after “1890” to the end of the clause and insert the following:—“if the client shall seek to set aside such agreement or to reduce the amount payable thereunder on the ground that the same is unfair or unreasonable he may proceed in a summary manner before the Court or a Judge who shall have power upon proof thereof to order such agreement to be cancelled or the amount payable thereunder to be reduced and may give all such directions as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of carrying such order into effect.”

The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, That the Council still insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

8. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

1. Clause 3, sub-section (1), line 8, after “life” insert “shall not.”

2. „ sub-section (1), lines 9–11, omit “total amount assured by or payable under such policy or policies shall not be subject to be seized or taken in execution under the process of any court” and insert “sum assured be rendered available for payment of his debts either in process of execution or in insolvency except as hereinafter provided.”

3. „ sub-section (2), lines 12–16, omit “such property and interest to such extent shall not vest in the assignee or trustee of his estate or form part of the insolvent estate except as to a policy or policies dated less than two years before such insolvency, in which event” and insert “any policy or policies dated less than two years before such insolvency shall notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (1) be available in the hands of the assignee or trustee for payment of his debts provided that.”

4. „ sub-section (2), line 24, omit “vest in the” and insert “be available in the hands of the.”

5. „ sub-section (3), omit this sub-section and insert the following:—

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in his will or any codicil thereto on the death of any person the property and interest of such person in any policy or policies of assurance of his life maturing at his death shall not be assets for the payment of his debts except those (if any) for the payment of which he shall in such will or codicil declare an intention to make such property and interest assets by words expressly referring to such policy or policies and expressly negating the provisions of this section; but if he dies within four years after the date of any policy a portion of the sum paid under such policy equal to the amount of premiums actually paid in respect of so much of the sum assured as exceeds One thousand pounds shall be assets for the payment of his debts.

6. Clause 8, lines 13 and 14, omit "if it appears that such statement or warranty was made in good faith and without any intention to deceive" and insert "unless it appears that such statement or warranty was made in bad faith and with an intention to deceive."
7. " at the end of the clause add the following:—" And if any bonus or bonuses have been paid during the currency of such policy to the person entitled thereto in excess of what he would have been entitled to on the basis of the true age of the life assured the amount payable to the person entitled to recover as aforesaid shall be reduced by a sum representing the amount which would have been added to the amount insured had such payments in excess not been paid as aforesaid but been allowed to remain in the funds of such company for the purpose of increasing the amount insured."
8. Clause 11, line 9, omit "sections twenty-four and" and insert "section."
9. Clause 14, line 36, omit all the words after "(2)" and insert the following:—

"In every winding up, whether voluntary or compulsory, which shall be commenced after the passing of this Act every creditor shall be entitled to be paid interest after the rate of Four pounds per centum from the date of the order to wind up the company out of any assets available for distribution amongst the creditors generally which may remain after satisfying the costs of the winding up and the debts and claims established: Provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any secured creditor to realize out of his security interest due to him since the liquidation as well as before the same, but so that he shall only be entitled to be paid out of such general assets by way of interest subsequent to liquidation the difference if any between the amount thus realized and the amount of the interest at Four per centum as aforesaid."

After clause 16 insert the following new clauses:—

10. A. Notwithstanding anything contained in section three hundred and forty-seven of the *Companies Act 1890* a company which in respect of any year complies with the provisions of section twenty-four of the *Companies Act 1896* requiring a shareholders' balance-sheet to be prepared and audited and a copy thereof to be sent to every member of such company shall not be required to prepare for such year a balance-sheet in the form in the Nineteenth Schedule to the *Companies Act 1890*.
11. B. Every application policy and certificate and every circular and advertisement issued by any company or society carrying on business in the colony of Victoria upon any principle whereby any member or person insured may be called upon to pay any call levy or assessment in addition to the fixed premium payable upon his policy shall contain in large type and in ink of a colour different from that of the ink used in the document the words "Assessment Principle. In addition to premiums policy-holders may be liable to pay calls levies or assessments from time to time." Any company or society which commits any breach of the provisions of this section shall be liable to pay a penalty of Fifty pounds for every such breach to any person who may sue for the same.

Amendments 1, 2, 3, and 4 agreed to.

Amendment 5, after debate, disagreed with.

Amendments 6, 7, and 8, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 9, to omit all the words after "(2)" in clause 14, line 36, after debate, disagreed with, and amendment to insert certain words agreed to with the following amendments:—Line 1, before "In" insert "Provided however that"; line 2, after "this" insert "Amending"; line 3, after "centum" insert "per annum"; line 6, omit "Provided that"; line 11, after "centum" insert "per annum."

Amendment 10 agreed to with the following amendments:—Line 2, omit "respect of any year complies" and insert "complying"; line 5, after "company" insert "substitutes (which it is hereby authorized to do) for the paragraph (2) of Form B of the Third Schedule to the *Companies Act 1896* a balance-sheet in the form contained in the Seventeenth Schedule to the *Companies Act 1890* if such company transacts life assurance business only, or in the Nineteenth Schedule to the said Act if such company concurrently with the transaction of life assurance business transacts any other kind of assurance or other business"; line 5, after "a" insert "separate"; line 6, before "Nineteenth" insert "said Seventeenth or."

Amendment 11, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in this Bill, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly therein.

9. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

10. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled *“ An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth,”* with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

12. COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled *“ An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth,”* 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a 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,’ ”* with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

14. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, 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,’ ”* 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Traction Engines Regulation Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 16.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1900.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. SARGOOD : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
1. What total amount of Three per cent. stock has been sold under Acts Nos. 1468 and 1564.
  2. What total amount has been issued and applied out of such moneys so raised.
  3. What amounts are now available and unappropriated under the above or any other Acts.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Second reading.
3. VOTING BY POST BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Wednesday, 10th October.*

CASE OF A. DABSCHECK—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 14 and 15.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 16.

Commonwealth Arrangements Bill—[17]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill No. 2—[64]. (To Members of Council only.)

Patents Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

Applications for Patents.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C5.

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 35, 36, and 37.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 38.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 7.

Public Works Loan Application Bill—[29].

Northcote Tramway Extension Bill—[40].

Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill—[46]. (To Members only.)

Railway Loan Application Bill No. 2—[58].

Licensing Amendment Bill—[60]. (To Members only.)

Water Supply Loans Application Bill No. 2—[91].

Woman's Suffrage Referendum Bill—[94].

Land Bill.—New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Downward. (To Members only.)

Electric Light and Power Bill.—Amendment of the Legislative Assembly, how dealt with by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Closer Settlement.—Copy of a Provisional Contract, &c. A.—No. 2.

Regulations under various Acts of Parliament. Extracted from *Government Gazette* of 28th September, 1900. No. 32. (To Members only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 17.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 8.*

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

“An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield.”

“An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate.”

Government House,  
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

5. AMOUNTS OF THREE PER CENT. STOCK UNDER CERTAIN ACTS.—The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. What total amount of Three per cent. stock has been sold under Acts Nos. 1468 and 1564.
  2. What total amount has been issued and applied out of such moneys so raised.
  3. What amounts are now available and unappropriated under the above or any other Acts.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—
 

Amounts of Three per cent. Stock under certain Acts.—Return to the foregoing Order.
7. COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.
 

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed. The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

8. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“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.’”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled *“An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia,”* with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

10. FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled *“An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia,”* 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.

11. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable A. Wynne moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable A. Wynne, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable A. Wynne the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable A. Wynne, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to further amend the ‘Marriage Act 1890.’”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

12. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

On the motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“An Act to amend the ‘Dairying Companies Act 1900.’”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

13. GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable Sir H. J. Wrixon moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

14. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Wynne the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

*Justices Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

15. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize a Referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

17. WOMEN’S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “An Act to authorize a Referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,” 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.



18. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next :—

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Weights and Measures Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Patents Law Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

21. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 17.

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TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL—Second reading.
2. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—  
Second reading.
3. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Wednesday, 10th October.*

CASE OF A. DABSCHECK—at eleven o'clock.

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD OCTOBER, 1900.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.  
Constitution Act Amendment Bill—[30]. (To Members of Council only.)  
Woman's Suffrage Referendum Bill—[94]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 39.  
Mildura and Yelta Railway Construction Bill—[93].  
Railway Local Rates Bill—[98].  
Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Proposed Central Railway Station  
at Flinders-street, &c. Report No. 7.



## VICTORIA.

No. 18.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. **DECLARATION OF MEMBER.**—The Honorable J. Balfour delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES BALFOUR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as part of Crown portion 18, parish of Prahran.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and six pounds.

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

“JAMES BALFOUR.”

5. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899—

Part IV.—Finance, &c.

Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c.

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 :—

Additional Regulations under the Land Acts.—Chapters IV. and V., Schedules 55, 136, and 134A.

Water Acts—

Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate (Draft Form).—Regulation No. 8.

Twelve Mile Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

The Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 27.

Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1900.

6. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 5 of the said Bill.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered, after debate—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in new clause B, have disagreed with others, and have made consequential amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

9. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta,*" 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.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

11. PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

13. VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

15. RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

17. WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

19. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve,*" 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. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

21. NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway,*" be now read a first time.

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

22. FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Council, and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

23. **WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
 Debate continued.  
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
24. **PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—  
 Debate resumed.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
25. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*" and acquaint them that, with reference to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the said Bill, the Legislative Assembly have passed the following resolution :—"That, as the proposed amendment involves an alteration in an appropriation made by this House of public moneys, this House declines to entertain the same; and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message to that effect."  
 Legislative Assembly, F. C. MASON,  
 Melbourne, 9th October, 1900. Speaker.  
 Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
26. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.  
 Legislative Assembly, F. C. MASON,  
 Melbourne, 9th October, 1900. Speaker.
27. **CITY OF MELBOURNE FURTHER LOAN BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds,*" be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
28. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council 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 acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.  
 Legislative Assembly, F. C. MASON,  
 Melbourne, 9th October, 1900. Speaker.
29. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.  
 Legislative Assembly, F. C. MASON,  
 Melbourne, 9th October, 1900. Speaker.
30. **GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes,*" 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. **NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

32. **CITY OF MELBOURNE FURTHER LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

33. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.





# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

*Government Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES: To move, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL—Second reading.
4. VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
5. RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL—Second reading.
6. WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL—Second reading.
7. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
10. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
11. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.

TUESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Wednesday, 10th October.*

CASE OF A. DABSCHER—at eleven o'clock.

(120 copies.)

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 Prince's Bridge Approach Bill—[25]. (To Members of Council only.)  
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 Bungaree Race-course Railway Construction Bill—[84]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Mildura and Yelta Railway Construction Bill—[93]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Whitfield Estate Purchase Bill—[97]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Railway Local Rates Bill—[98]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Geelong Lands Sale Bill—[100]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Supreme Court Bill.—Amendment made by the Legislative Council, how dealt with. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Electric Light and Power Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, how dealt with. (To Members of Council only.)  
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 Amounts paid and owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C3.  
 Amounts of Three per cent. Stock under certain Acts.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C6.

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 City of Melbourne Loan Bill—[96].  
 Friendly Societies Bill—[99].  
 Voting by Post Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)  
 Marriage Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)  
 Patent Office.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly. C.—No. 1.  
 Omeo Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £400. No. 49.  
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## VICTORIA.

No. 19.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
 On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
 The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—  
*“ An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of the ‘Weights and Measures Act 1890.’ ”*  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. ADDITIONAL DAY OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. **WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
S. Austin  
J. Balfour  
T. Brunton  
Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart.  
E. J. Crooke  
J. M. Davies  
W. McCulloch  
D. Melville  
J. Sternberg  
Sir H. J. Wrixon.

*Tellers.*

J. Hoddinott  
W. Knox.

Noes, 29.

The Hon. J. Bell  
F. Brown  
J. C. Campbell  
T. Comrie  
S. W. Cooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
T. Dowling  
N. FitzGerald  
S. Fraser  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
T. C. Harwood  
N. Levi  
J. Y. McDonald  
E. Miller  
E. Morey  
W. H. S. Osmand  
W. Pearson  
P. Phillips  
J. M. Pratt  
R. Reid  
A. O. Sachse  
Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood  
Sir A. Snowden  
N. Thornley  
J. A. Wallace  
A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

Dr. W. H. Embling  
W. Pitt.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

8. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council on the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said Bill, and that they insist on the amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Council in clause 3, but have made a consequential amendment in it, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

9. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with one of the said amendments, and have agreed to others with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. **WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

11. **PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

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

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

12. **VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

13. **RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

*“ An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

14. GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Whitfield Estate Purchase Bill—Second reading.*

*Bungaree Junction Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.*

*Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Message from the Legislative Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*

*Electric Light and Power Bill—Message from the Legislative Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*

*Moe and Walkalla Railway Construction Bill—Message from the Legislative Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 19.

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THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL—Second reading.
2. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
4. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
5. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
7. VOTING BY POST BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
8. PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
  2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



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Voting by Post Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council, how dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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Wine Adulteration Prevention Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Graham. (To Members only.)

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## VICTORIA.

No. 20.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1900. [

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. CASE OF A. DABSHECK.—The Honorable J. Hoddinott brought up the Report from the Select Committee on the case of A. Dabscheck.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, to be printed.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—  
Rutherglen Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,200.  
Water Acts.—Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Construction of Subway for No. 2A Channel.—Order repealed.
6. WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
The Honorable W. McCulloch moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
7. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in this Bill, with which the Legislative Assembly still insist on disagreeing, having been read—the said amendment was read, and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the  
Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

1. Clause 5, omit  
this clause.

Disagreed with by  
the Assembly  
and insisted on  
by the Council.

Disagreement insisted on by  
the Assembly but the fol-  
lowing amendment made in  
the clause:—Clause 5, page 3,  
line 3, omit all the words after  
“1890” to the end of the  
clause and insert the follow-  
ing :—“if the client shall  
seek to set aside such agree-  
ment or to reduce the amount  
payable thereunder on the  
ground that the same is unfair  
or unreasonable he may pro-  
ceed in a summary manner be-  
fore the Court or a Judge who  
shall have power upon proof  
thereof to order such agree-  
ment to be cancelled or the  
amount payable thereunder  
to be reduced, and may give  
all such directions as may  
be necessary or proper for  
the purpose of carrying such  
order into effect.”

Still insisted on by the Council.

Disagreement still  
insisted on by  
the Assembly.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council, after debate, agreed to the following amendments on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly:—Line 18, after “cancelled” insert “and the bill of such solicitor to be furnished and taxed”; line 20, after “reduced” insert “but not below such sum as the bill when taxed would amount to”; line 24, after “effect” add “Provided always that in taxing such bill the taxing officer shall allow such fees charges and disbursements in respect of the business done by such solicitor as such solicitor would have been entitled to if the amount had not been fixed by any agreement and shall give his certificate accordingly for the amount of such bill when taxed.”

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the following words be added to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly as amended:—“The provisions of this section shall apply to any agreement made between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister and his client or between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister only and a solicitor acting on behalf of a client and whether such agreement be expressed or implied or made by marking the amount of a fee upon any brief or document delivered to such barrister in the same manner and to the same extent as if such agreement were made by a solicitor.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 5, and agree to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly, as so amended, in the said clause.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 5, and have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the said clause with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly therein.

8. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and agreed to by the Legislative Council with amendments, with which the Legislative Assembly had disagreed, but had made consequential amendments, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.	How dealt with.
<p>After clause 4 add the following new clauses:—</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p> <p>3. B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.</p>	<p>Amendment to omit “or using,” in line 2, agreed to by the Assembly with the following consequential amendment:—Line 4, after “employ” insert “in connexion with such supply.” Line 17, amendment to omit “extra” agreed to; line 17, amendment to insert “overtime on” disagreed with; line 17, amendment to omit “labour” agreed to. Line 18, amendment to omit “labour” and insert “overtime” disagreed with, and the following consequential amendments made:—Line 17, omit “involving” and insert “requiring any person who has already worked on the six preceding consecutive days or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on”; line 20, after “overtime” insert “beyond forty-eight hours in any one week.” Line 25, amendment to omit “Fifty” and insert “Ten.”</p>

Consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly to insert “in connexion with such supply” after “employ,” in line 4, agreed to.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendments in clause B disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and agree to the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the said amendments.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to one of the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause B, that they insist on their amendments in the said clause with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and have disagreed with the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the said amendments.

9. MOE AND WALLHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Council, and which the Legislative Assembly had declined to entertain, for the reason that it involves an alteration in an appropriation made of public moneys, having been read—the said amendment was read, and is as follows :—

Clause 5, line 22, omit "for each man be not less than" and insert "upon the average be equal to."

The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood moved, That the Legislative Council are of opinion that they have the undoubted right to make the amendment in clause 5 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Wallhalla*" as transmitted to the Legislative Assembly, and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them with this resolution and with an intimation that the Legislative Council insist on the said amendment.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, disagreed with by the Legislative Council and insisted on by the Legislative Assembly, but a consequential amendment made, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.

How dealt with.

5. Clause 3, sub-section (3), omit this sub-section and insert the following :—

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in his will or any codicil thereto on the death of any person the property and interest of such person in any policy or policies of assurance of his life maturing at his death shall not be assets for the payment of his debts except those (if any) for the payment of which he shall in such will or codicil declare an intention to make such property and interest assets by words expressly referring to such policy or policies and expressly negating the provisions of this section ; but if he dies within four years after the date of any policy a portion of the sum paid under such policy equal to the amount of premiums actually paid in respect of so much of the sum assured as exceeds One thousand pounds shall be assets for the payment of his debts.

Disagreed with by the Council. Insisted on by the Assembly, but the following consequential amendment made:—Line 4, after "maturing" insert "only."

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, after debate, the Council did not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly, and agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the said amendment.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Legislative Assembly in this Bill, and that they have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the said amendment.

11. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Council and disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly or agreed to with amendments having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

3. Clause 4, lines 8–9, omit "resides at least five miles from the nearest polling booth at which he is entitled to vote" and insert "does not reside in any city town or borough."

Disagreed with.

26. After clause 10 insert the following new clause :—

A. Where any elector who has received a postal ballot-paper is blind or unable to write and signifies the fact to the postmaster or officer such postmaster or officer may and at the request of such elector shall for him in the presence of a witness (if so desired by such elector) write on the ballot-paper the name or names of the candidate or candidates whom such elector may designate and shall read over to the elector the declaration on the counterfoil and indicate to such elector the place for his signature to such declaration or, if such elector be a ratepayer and unable to write, his mark and if desired shall enclose the ballot-paper in the envelope provided.

Agreed to with the following amendments:—Line 2, omit "or unable to write"; lines 11–12, omit "or, if such elector be a ratepayer and unable to write, his mark."

45. Clause 22, omit this clause ... ..

Disagreed with.

47. Clause 24, line 38, after "years" insert "from the commencement of this Act and thence until the end of the next ensuing session of Parliament and no longer."

Agreed to, and the following consequential amendment made in clause 24 :—Line 1, after "shall" insert "come into operation on the first day of December One thousand nine hundred."

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 8.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 25.  
 The Hon. S. Austin  
 J. Balfour  
 F. Brown  
 T. Brunton  
 S. W. Cooke  
 E. J. Crooke  
 J. M. Davies  
 F. S. Grimwade  
 C. J. Ham  
 T. C. Harwood  
 J. Hoddinott  
 W. McCulloch  
 D. Melville  
 E. Miller  
 W. H. S. Osmand  
 W. Pearson  
 W. Pitt  
 J. M. Pratt  
 A. O. Sachse  
 Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood  
 N. Thornley  
 Sir H. J. Wrixon  
 A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

W. Knox  
 Sir A. Snowden.

Noes, 9.  
 The Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling  
 S. Fraser  
 D. Ham  
 N. Levi  
 P. Phillips  
 R. Reid  
 J. A. Wallace.

*Tellers.*

J. Bell  
 T. Comrie.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments of the Legislative Assembly in amendment 26 agreed to.

Amendment 45, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 47—consequential amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 24 agreed to with the following amendment:—After “hundred” insert “and shall.”

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments, and do insist on another, disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly; that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause A, and have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 24 with an amendment, and desiring the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly therein.

12. PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed. The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

13. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—

*“An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.”*

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Hospitals and Charities Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Marriage Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

16. WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 20.  
The Hon. S. Austin  
J. Balfour  
F. Brown  
T. Comrie  
S. W. Cooke  
J. M. Davies  
N. FitzGerald  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
J. Hoddinott  
D. Melville  
W. H. S. Osmand  
W. Pearson  
P. Phillips  
J. M. Pratt  
A. O. Sachse  
J. A. Wallace.

Tellers.

S. Fraser  
W. Knox.

Noes, 9.  
The Hon. T. Brunton  
T. C. Harwood  
N. Levi  
W. McCulloch  
W. Pitt  
Sir A. Snowden  
A. Wynne.

Tellers.

E. J. Croke  
E. Miller.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain Land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

*Workmen's Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 20.

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FRIDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—  
Second reading.
  2. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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TUESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PATENTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH OCTOBER, 1900.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 44.

Final Report of the Mine Ventilation Bonus Board. No. 12. (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 21.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1899–1900.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Family Settlement and Workmen's Homes.—Copy of Agreements made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works for the purchase of certain lands at Brunswick for the purpose of Family Settlement and Workmen's Homes ; together with a Statement giving the particulars prescribed by section 155 of the *Land Act* 1898 in respect of the land included in the said Agreements.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

6. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*" be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment,

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

8. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890,'*" be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890.'*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

10. SALTWATER RIVER BRIDGE BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River,*" be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

"*An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River.*"

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

12. **BRUNSWICK LANDS PURCHASE BILL.**—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke,*" be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.  
 The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
 On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
 The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—  
*"An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke."*  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
13. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.  
 F. C. MASON,  
 Speaker.  
 Legislative Assembly,  
 Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.
14. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes,*" be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.  
 On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.  
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—  
*"An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes."*  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—  
 MR. PRESIDENT—  
 "The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.  
 F. C. MASON,  
 Speaker.  
 Legislative Assembly,  
 Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.
16. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts,*" be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.  
 The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

18. RAILWAY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways,*” be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

19. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

20. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL (No. 2).—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “ *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*” be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was read a third time and passed. The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

21. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council on the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 24, and that they insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 22, but have made amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

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

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
45. Clause 22, omit this clause	<p>Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly, but the following amendments made in the clause :—Line 1, omit “ directly or indirectly ” ; lines 2 and 3, omit “ vote by post or to apply for or ” ; line 4, after “ person ” insert “ by bribery or intimidation ” ; lines 5 and 6, omit “ on conviction be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one year ” and insert “ forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered in a summary way before two justices by any person who shall sue for the same. ”</p> <p>“ Bribery or intimidation shall for the purposes of this section include any promise or threat either expressed implied or understood of any benefit or disadvantage to accrue directly or indirectly to such person from such first-mentioned person.”</p>

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 22, and agree to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said clause.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Legislative Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 22, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said clause.

22. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

23. WINE ADULTERATION BILL.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “ *An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine,*” be now read a first time.

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable F. Brown reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

And, on the further motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine.* ”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same with amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

24. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “ *An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendments made by the Legislative Council on the Legislative Assembly’s amendment in clause 5, and as a consequential amendment have omitted clause 5, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

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

*Amendment made by the Legislative Council.*—1. Clause 5, omit this clause.—*Disagreed with by the Assembly and insisted on by the Council.*

*Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly but the following amendment made in the clause :—*Clause 5, page 3, line 3, omit all the words after “ 1890 ” to the end of the clause and insert the following :—“ if the client shall seek to set aside such agreement or to reduce the amount payable thereunder on the ground that the same is unfair or unreasonable he may proceed in a summary manner before the Court or a Judge who shall have power upon proof thereof to order such agreement to be cancelled or the amount payable thereunder to be reduced, and may give all such directions as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of carrying such order into effect.”—*Amendment to omit clause 5 still insisted on by the Council.*

*Disagreement still insisted on by the Assembly.—Amendment to omit clause 5 not now insisted on by the Council and amendment of the Assembly agreed to with the following amendments :—*Line 6, after “ cancelled ” insert “ and the bill of such solicitor to be furnished and taxed ; ” line 6, after “ reduced ” insert “ but not below such sum as the bill when taxed would amount to ” ; line 8, after “ effect ” add “ Provided always that in taxing such bill the taxing officer shall allow such fees charges and disbursements in respect of the business done by such solicitor as such solicitor would have been entitled to if the amount had not been fixed by any agreement and shall give his certificate accordingly for the amount of such bill when taxed. The provisions of this section shall apply to any agreement made between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister and his client or between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister only and a solicitor acting on behalf of a client and whether such agreement be expressed or implied or made by marking the amount of a fee upon any brief or document delivered to such barrister in the same manner and to the same extent as if such agreement were made by a solicitor.”

*Disagreed with by the Assembly and the following consequential amendment made :—*Clause 5, omit this clause.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the omission of clause 5 in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

25. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “ *An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine,* ” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

26. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “ *An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines,* ” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with the amendments in clause 11, but as a consequential amendment have omitted the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

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

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.		How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
16.	Clause 11, line 23, after "place" insert "and maintain for twenty-four hours at least."	Disagreed with, and the following consequential amendment made :— Clause 11, omit this clause.
17.	" " after "mark" insert "including a light at night."	
18.	" " omit "he" and insert "such owner or driver."	
19.	" " after "shall" insert "not (unless such engine and the load thereon or therewith on the bridge or culvert at the time of such breaking or damage exceed the total weight of twelve tons avoirdupois)."	
20.	" line 24, omit "and" and insert "provided he."	
21.	" line 25, omit "mayor or president or surveyor or engineer" and insert "town clerk or shire secretary at the municipal offices."	
22.	" line 30, at end of clause add "In the event of such engine and the load thereon or therewith on the bridge or culvert at the time of such breaking or damage exceeding twelve tons avoirdupois both the owner and driver shall be liable to repay to the council the cost of repairing the damage done to such bridge or culvert."	

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to omit clause 11 in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

27. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on by the Legislative Council in clause B, and insist on disagreeing with the amendments made in the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said clause, but have made further amendments in the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

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

*Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.*—After clause 4 add the following new clauses :—

\* \* \* \* 3. B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds, to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.—*Agreed to by the Council with the following amendments :—*Line 1, omit "or using"; line 7, omit "extra" and insert "overtime on"; line 7, omit "labour"; line 8, omit "labour" and insert "overtime"; line 10, omit "Fifty" and insert "Ten."

*Amendment to omit "or using," in line 1, agreed to by the Assembly with the following consequential amendment :—*Line 2, after "employ" insert "in connexion with such supply" [*which was agreed to by the Council, page 90 ante*]; line 7, amendment to omit "extra" *agreed to by the Assembly*; line 7, amendment to insert "overtime on" *disagreed with*; line 7, amendment to omit "labour" *agreed to*; line 8, amendment to omit "labour" and insert "overtime" *disagreed with and the following consequential amendments made :—*Line 7, omit "involving" and insert "requiring any person who has already worked on the six preceding consecutive days or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on"; line 8, after "overtime" insert "beyond forty-eight hours in any one week"; line 10, amendment to omit "Fifty" and insert "Ten" *agreed to.*—*Amendments disagreed with by the Assembly insisted on by the Council, and consequential amendments disagreed with.*

*Disagreement with amendments insisted on by the Assembly, and the following amendments made in the consequential amendments :—*Line 2, omit "on" and insert "forty-eight hours during"; lines 2-3, omit "or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on."

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, That the Council still insist on their amendments in clause B disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and disagree with the consequential amendments of the Legislative Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendments in clause B, with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and disagree with the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

28. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments of the Legislative Council in clause B.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

29. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next, at two o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at two minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



## VICTORIA.

No. 22.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the Prayer.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 9.*

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

- “ *An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the Number of Members for each Division.*”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893.’*”
- “ *An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one.*”
- “ *An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.*”
- “ *An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly.*”
- “ *An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth.*”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Dairying Companies Act 1900.’*”
- “ *An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes.*”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 8th October, 1900.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 10.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council a copy of a despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying to the people of Victoria the sincere thanks of Her Royal and Imperial Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha for the expression of sympathy upon the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

VICTORIA, No. 85.

Downing-street, 31st August, 1900.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that the message contained in your telegram of the 1st of August was duly conveyed to the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, through Her Majesty's Minister at Coburg.

2. Her Royal and Imperial Highness has caused Her Majesty's Minister to be informed that she desires that her sincerest thanks for this very kind expression of sympathy may be conveyed to you and to the people of Victoria.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed) J CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of Victoria.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

*Message No. 11.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes*":—

In clause 14, page 6, last line, after "order" insert "or resolution"; page 7, after "Four" insert "pounds."

In clause 18, sixth line, after "ink" insert "(except in any advertisement in a registered newspaper)."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered the Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council*," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-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 provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council*":—

In the title, omit "Assembly" and substitute "Council"; omit "Council" and substitute "Assembly."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway*," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway*":—

Clause 4 (last line but five), omit "mean" and substitute "include," and omit "meant" and substitute "included."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville the Council agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890'*":—

In clause 1, omit "first day of August," substitute "eighteenth day of October."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments, calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed that such error be corrected by the insertion of the words "eight hundred" instead of "three hundred" in line 3 of clause 6, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

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 sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts*":—

In clause 6, line 3, the words "three hundred" have been inserted instead of the words "eight hundred."

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

GEO. H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Honorable the Speaker,  
&c., &c., &c.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the correction of the clerical error discovered in the Water Supply Loans Application Bill, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments, calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill intituled "*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa*," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed that such error be corrected by the insertion of the figures "1900" instead of "1890" in line 8, clause 3, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

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 make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa*":—

In clause 3, line 8, the figures "1890" have been inserted instead of the figures "1900."

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

GEO. H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Honorable the Speaker,  
&c., &c., &c.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the correction of the clerical error discovered in the Victorian Military Contingents further Appropriation Bill, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them therewith.

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

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill.

F. C. MASON,  
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,  
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

13. ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the Parliament House, gave the Royal Assent to the following Bills :—

- " *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.'*"
- " *An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds.*"
- " *An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of the 'Weights and Measures Act 1890.'*"
- " *An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway.*"
- " *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta.*"
- " *An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes.*"
- " *An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge.*"
- " *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.*"
- " *An Act to amend the 'Hospitals and Charities Act 1890.'*"
- " *An Act to further amend the 'Marriage Act 1890.'*"
- " *An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate.*"
- " *An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890.'*"
- " *An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River.*"
- " *An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke.*"
- " *An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.*"
- " *An Act to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.*"
- " *An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla*
- " *An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine*"

- “*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines.*”  
 “*An Act to further amend the ‘Electric Light and Power Act 1896.’*”  
 “*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway.*”  
 “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890.’*”  
 “*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts.*”  
 “*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty’s Regular Forces in South Africa.*”  
 “*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes.*”

14. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was announced by the Usher.

15. ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor came into the Council Chamber, and commanded the Usher to desire the attendance of the Legislative Assembly, who, being come with their Speaker, he, after a short speech to His Excellency, delivered the Appropriation Bill to the Clerk of the Parliaments, who brought it to the Table.

His Excellency was then pleased to assent to the following Bills :—

“*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.*”

“*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Council and in the Legislative Assembly.*”

To these Bills the Royal Assent was pronounced severally by the Clerk of the Parliaments in these words :—

“In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.”

16. RESERVATION OF BILL FOR SIGNIFICATION OF HER MAJESTY’S PLEASURE.—His Excellency was pleased to reserve for the signification of Her Majesty’s pleasure the following Bill :—

“*An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.*”

17. His Excellency was then pleased to speak as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I am happy to be able to release you from your legislative labours, and to congratulate you upon the many measures of importance with which you have dealt in a session so necessarily brief.

Under the brilliant generalship of that most distinguished soldier, Lord Roberts, the South African war has practically now been brought to a triumphant close. One of the many significant results of the arduous struggle in which the Empire was reluctantly compelled to engage which will always stand out in striking relief is, that the colossal power of the British Empire is not weak and disunited by reason of its being dispersed over many seas. Eloquent proofs have been furnished that Her Majesty and her successors will always find they can rely upon the great dependencies of the Empire for material assistance in upholding the honour of the country and securing it against attack.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to learn that the Australian troops continue to win the admiration of the Imperial authorities for their valour, resourcefulness, and general bearing. Advices are to hand eulogizing the manner in which our several Victorian Contingents for South Africa were equipped and despatched by the Victorian Department of Defence; praise has also officially been given with reference to the arrangements made in connexion with the Naval Contingent which we sent to China.

I congratulate you most cordially upon the Queen’s Assent having been given to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act and upon the Proclamation of the establishment of Federation. As Melbourne will be the scene of the inauguration of the first Parliament of the Commonwealth, and under auspices of an exceptionally distinguished order, I am pleased to observe that you have passed appropriate measures to meet all the requirements of the occasion.

The condescension of Her Majesty in sanctioning the visit of the Duke of York to open the first Parliament of the Commonwealth evokes the homage of our loyal gratitude, and makes the event unique in interest and importance. His Royal Highness and his consort will receive from Australia an enthusiastic welcome, not only from their close relationship to the Crown, but also because of those personal qualities which grace their exalted rank and commend them to the deep regard of the people of the United Kingdom.

The selection of the Earl of Hopetoun as our first Governor-General has afforded universal gratification. His highly successful career as Governor of Victoria won for him the favour of all classes and proved his possession in an eminent degree of all the qualities fitted for such a distinguished appointment. In the higher station to which he has now been called by the Sovereign’s grace, the dignity of the Crown and the interests of the Commonwealth will be sagaciously and zealously safeguarded.

For the representation of Victoria in the Federal House of Representatives it has been necessary to divide the Colony into 23 Federal Electorates. To the scheme which you have approved my Advisers had given their most earnest attention, to effect such a division as would evince due regard for community of interests, and lead to the equitable representation of the people in the first Federal Parliament.

You have conferred upon electors who reside outside a radius of 5 miles from the nearest polling place, and upon absent voters and those incapacitated by physical infirmity, the privilege of Voting by Post, thus liberalizing the franchise and placing it within the reach of all without inconvenience or privation.

The acquisition of the Walmer and Whitfield Estates will promote the permanent settlement on our lands of a contented and prosperous yeomanry. The Lands Office has been largely re-organized, so that the great increase of work caused by recent enactments may be transacted with efficiency and despatch. In addition to the purchase of Wando Vale, Walmer, and Whitfield Estates for closer rural settlement, a new departure has been made to meet the needs of the workers in densely-populated centres. As a first instalment an area of land has been purchased at Brunswick, where workmen can devote their spare time and labour to create for themselves comfortable homes under healthy and cheerful conditions.

The extension of our Railway system by the authorization of the Pitfield, the Mildura, and the Walhalla Railways will, it is hoped, conduce to the advantage and progress of the districts concerned and of the community at large.

In the course of the session resolutions have been passed in accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, under which the establishment of Special Boards has been authorized to regulate wages in the case of 22 trades.

Amongst other matters legislation has been enacted amending the Supreme Court and Life Assurance Acts, making provision for taking the Census, establishing Workmen's Homes, and regulating Railway Local Rates.

In response to the general demand of the community, a needful measure has been passed to prevent the adulteration of Victorian wine.

In anticipation of the transference of Customs and Excise to the Commonwealth, my Advisers have distributed the services which will still be controlled by the State among the existing Departments in such a manner as will preserve their efficiency and conduce to the convenience of the public.

**MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :**

I thank you, in Her Majesty's name, for the wise provision which you have made for the service of the State.

**MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :**

**MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :**

It is most gratifying to be able to point to the steady increase of trade, the satisfactory revenue prospects, and the general prosperity of the community.

I thank you for your attendance in this the fourth session of the seventeenth Parliament of Victoria, and express the hope that the result of your labours may increase the prosperity of the country. In Her Majesty's name I declare this Parliament to be prorogued to Tuesday, the 23rd day of October instant, and it is prorogued accordingly.

**GEORGE H. JENKINS,**  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

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PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS  
(JOINT).

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APPOINTED (UNDER ACT No. 1350) 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1897.

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The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
F. S. Grimwade\*

The Hon. E. Morey.

\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1900.

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No. 1.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE OPENING SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE  
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Appointed 27th June, 1900.

The Hon. T. C. Harwood  
J. H. Abbott  
T. Comrie  
S. Fraser

The Hon. J. Hoddinott  
W. Knox  
E. Miller.

No. 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 10th July, 1900.

The Hon. The President\*  
S. Austin\*  
J. Bell\*  
S. W. Cooke\*  
N. FitzGerald

The Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood  
Sir A. Snowden  
N. Thornley  
Sir H. J. Wrixon  
J. M. Davies.\*

\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

No. 3.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1900.

The Hon. The President\*  
J. H. Abbott  
S. Fraser

The Hon. W. Pitt  
W. I. Winter-Irving.

\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

No. 4.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1900.

The Hon. The President\*  
F. S. Grimwade\*  
C. J. Ham

The Hon. D. Melville  
Sir H. J. Wrixon.

\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

No. 5.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

Appointed 10th July, 1900.

The Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling  
E. Morey  
J. M. Pratt

The Hon. A. O. Sachse\*  
J. A. Wallace.

\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

No. 6.—PRINTING.

Appointed 10th July, 1900.

The Hon. The President* T. Brunton Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart.* T. Comrie D. Ham*	The Hon. W. Knox N. Levi P. Phillips R. Reid J. Sternberg.*
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\* Re-appointed after re-election, 11th September, 1900.

No. 7.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 17th July, 1900.

The Hon. N. FitzGerald S. Fraser W. Knox J. Y. McDonald	The Hon. N. Thornley W. I. Winter-Irving Sir H. J. Wrixon.
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No. 8.—CASE OF A. DABSCHECK.

Appointed 26th September, 1900.

The Hon. T. Comrie E. J. Crooke J. Y. McDonald	The Hon. A. O. Sachse J. Sternberg J. Hoddinott.
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VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1900.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1900.

No. 1.—TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Clause 9 :—

“ Before ” driving a traction engine through any city town borough or shire the owner or driver shall give not less than two or more than twenty-four hours' notice to the mayor town clerk or shire secretary thereof of his intention so to do, stating the direction in which he intends to drive the engine, provided that written notice addressed to the said mayor or town clerk or shire secretary at the municipal office and delivered there by post or otherwise within the times aforesaid shall be deemed sufficient notice for the purposes of this section. On receiving such notice the mayor or town clerk or shire secretary may direct the owner or driver to drive the engine along or through any practicable street or road in the direction indicated, and the driver or owner shall obey all such reasonable directions. In no case shall the traction engine be driven through any city town or borough at a greater pace than two and a half miles per hour. Any driver of a traction engine who omits to give the notice required by this section, or who permits such engine to travel or drives such engine by any other route than that directed, or otherwise in contravention of the provisions of this section, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.—(*Hon. W. I. Winter-Irving.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ Traction engines may travel through any city town borough or shire between the hours of sunrise and ‘ sunset ’ but ” be inserted before “ Before,” in line 1.—(*Hon. W. I. Winter-Irving.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words “ at such hours as may be prescribed by the municipal authority with the consent of the Governor in Council or if no hours be prescribed at any time between sunrise or sunset ” be inserted after “ sunset,” in line 2 of the proposed amendment.—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in the proposed amendment be so inserted—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. J. M. Davies  
D. Ham  
J. Hoddinott  
D. Melville  
E. Morey  
Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.

Tellers.

Sir H. Cuthbert  
W. I. Winter-Irving.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
J. Bell  
T. Comrie  
S. W. Cooke  
T. Dowling  
C. J. Ham  
W. H. S. Osmand  
W. Pearson  
W. Pitt  
R. Reid  
A. O. Sachse.  
Sir A. Snowden  
Sir H. J. Wrixon  
A. Wynne.

Tellers.

E. J. Crooke  
J. M. Pratt.

And so it passed in the negative.



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# PENNY POSTAGE.

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RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
Dated 28th August, 1900, for—

A COPY of all Papers showing the calculations quoted by the Honorable the Treasurer to the deputation of the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies which waited upon him in reference to the question of Penny Postage.

(*The Honorable R. Reid.*)

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Ordered to be printed, 28th August, 1900.

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In 1889, the year before the introduction of the Penny Postage, the issues of 1d. and 2d. stamps amounted to £351,697. The receipts during 1890 were £270,977, thus showing a loss of £80,720. In 1898, the last year for which detailed figures are obtainable, the issues of 1d. and 2d. stamps amounted to £355,106, being practically the same as in 1889, consequently our inference is that by a return to the Penny Postage as in 1890 the loss would be about the same as in that year.

In 1890 the Post Office staff had to be increased at a cost of £10,000, thus making the total loss to the State £90,720. The postal authorities now estimate that the necessary increase to the staff by the re-introduction of the Penny Postage would only be £5,000.

On the assumption that the above figures are fairly accurate, we think that £70,000 is not at all too high an estimate of the loss to the revenue which the Treasurer should be prepared to meet in the first year by the return to the Penny Postage.

H. W. MEAKIN.  
GEO. T. ALLEN

Treasury, Melbourne,  
21st August, 1900.





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FEMALE EMPLOYÉS IN PUBLIC SERVICE AND UNDER  
FACTORIES ACTS.

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RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
Dated 24th July, 1900, for—

A RETURN showing the number of Females employed in each branch of the Public Service, including the Railways, up to the 31st December, 1899, and also the number employed in each of the various trades registered under the Factories Acts.

(*The Honorable N. Levi.*)

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*Ordered to be printed, 28th August, 1900.*

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RETURN showing the number of Females employed in each branch of the Public Service, including the Railways, up to the 31st December, 1899.

Department.	Number of Females employed.
Chief Secretary's ... ..	296
Public Instruction ... ..	2,948
Law ... ..	180
Treasury ... ..	71
Lands and Survey ... ..	22
Mines and Water Supply ... ..	...
Trade and Customs ... ..	19
Post and Telegraph ... ..	329
Health ... ..	1
Agriculture ... ..	3
Public Works ... ..	11
Defence ... ..	...
Railways ... ..	364

RETURN showing the number of Females employed in each of the various trades registered under the Factories Acts.

Trade.	Females employed.	Trade.	Females employed.
Aerated Waters, &c. ...	6	Hair Carding ...	3
Asbestos ...	4	Harness, Saddles, &c. ...	17
Bags—Gunny ...	9	Hats (Straw, Felt, &c.), Caps, &c. ...	487
Bedding, Mattresses, &c. ...	23	Hosiery ...	155
Bedsteads—Iron ...	3	Jewellery, Watches, Electroplating ...	9
Biscuits, Confectionery, &c. ...	504	Laundries—European ...	714
Boots, Shoes, &c. ...	1,233	Leather Fancy Goods ...	31
Boxes, Trunks, Bags, &c. ...	10	Marine Stores ...	5
Bread Bakehouses ...	7	Matches—Wax ...	36
Brushes, Brooms, &c. ...	50	Mats, Rugs, &c. ...	3
Butter, Cheese, Preserved Milk, &c. ...	2	Paper Mills ...	22
Carriages, Waggon, Drays, &c. ...	4	Paper Patterns ...	8
Chemical Works ...	75	Photographs ...	57
Cigars, Tobacco, Cigarettes, &c. ...	354	Picture Frames, &c. ...	2
Clothing ...	4,250	Pins—Hair-curling ...	4
Corsets ...	38	Pneumatic Tyres ...	5
Cutlery ...	3	Preserving Works—Jams, Pickles, Sauces ...	166
Cycles ...	2	Printing, Stationery, Bookbinding, &c. ...	988
Dresses, Millinery, Mantles, Ladies' Underclothing, &c. ...	6,199	Rope, Twine, &c....	166
Dry Plates ...	32	Safety Fuse ...	3
Dye Works ...	48	Shirts ...	761
Eucalyptus Oil ...	1	Sugar Refining ...	3
Fire Kindlers ...	2	Tea Packing ...	25
Flock Mills ...	8	Tinware ...	2
Florists (Manufacturing Bouquets) ...	24	Umbrellas ...	111
Flowers—Artificial ...	9	Waterproof Clothing ...	265
Furniture and Upholstering, &c. ...	120	Weaving—Surgical ...	2
Furriers ...	37	Woollen Mills ...	489
Grocers' Sundries, Maizena, Spices ...	301		

CHARLES A. TOPP.

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AMOUNTS PAID AND OWING UNDER RAILWAY AND  
PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION ACT 1898.

RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
Dated 15th August, 1900, for—

A RETURN showing—

1. The total amounts actually paid to 30th July, 1900, under each of the headings of the Schedule to the *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.
2. The total amounts actually owing on the same date under each of the said headings.

(*The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.*)

Ordered to be printed, 11th September, 1900.

RETURN showing Amounts Paid and Owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*.

Work.	Amount.		Expenditure to 31st July, 1900.	Commitments.	Balance.
	£	£			
<b>RAILWAY WORKS.</b>					
Towards relaying with 80-lb. rails to replace 66-lb. rails on the following lines :—					
Newport to Geelong and Ballarat ...	} Say 185 miles ...	101,534	54,400	47,134	...
Braybrook Junction to Warrenheip ...					
Caulfield to Warragul ...					
North-Eastern ...					
Passenger-car Stock—					
Towards providing 100 Second-class or Composite Bogie Cars, for long distance branch lines ...	36,666	...	1,380	35,286	...
		138,200			
Carried forward ...	...	138,200	55,780	82,420	...

RETURN showing Amounts Paid and Owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*—continued.

Work.	Amount.		Expenditure to 31st July, 1900.	Commitments.	Balance.
	£	£			
Brought forward ... ..	...	138,200	55,780	82,420	£ ...
<b>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.</b>					
To be expended under Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.					
District Co-operative Wineries and Viticulture Industry...	20,000	...	2,940	5,093	11,967
Dairy Schools, Experimental Stations, Purchase of Live Stock, Machinery, Implements, and other Appliances, and Technical Agricultural Education ... ..	30,000	...	10,617	6,529	12,854
Development of the Export Trade ... ..	32,500	...	1,079	904	30,517
Bonuses for the encouragement of the Cultivation, Manu- facture, and Export of Fruit, Tobacco, Flax, Hemp, Silk, and of other Rural Industries ... ..	17,500	...	3,031	1,619	12,850
		100,000			
<b>MINING DEPARTMENT.</b>					
For carrying on Pioneer Mining. For procuring machinery, working plant, or appliances for carrying on such pioneer mining, and for erecting, fitting up, or con- necting the same. For providing all works necessary for the proper carrying on such pioneer mining under Part I. of the <i>Mining Development Act 1896</i> ...					
	60,000	...	17,515	19,776	22,709
For construction of Roads and Tracks for mining purposes under Part II. of the said Act ... ..	45,000	...	...	...	45,000
For constructing races and dams under Part IV. of the said Act ... ..	12,000	...	...	...	12,000
Advances to miners for Prospecting under Part V. of the said Act ... ..	15,000	...	3,061	5,403	6,536
Disseminating mining information in the colony and other countries under Part VI. of the said Act ... ..	5,000	...	363	749	3,888
To be expended under Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council—					
In advances to assist in developing Pigments ...	1,000	...	640	338	22
For equipping Schools of Mines with mining appliances	12,000	...	1,181	9,604	1,215
		150,000			
Purchase of Cyanide Patent (Act 1648) ... ..	20,000	20,000	20,000	...	...
<b>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.</b>					
To assist 4th, 5th, and 6th class shires in opening up Crown lands and means of access to railway stations					
	150,000	...	30,880	53,982	60,138
To assist Municipalities in constructing roads in the mallee leading to railway stations ... ..					
	12,000	...	3,977	3,973	4,050
Completing Yarra improvements ... ..	25,000	...	25,000	...	...
Levee on both sides of Goulburn River north of Sheppar- ton ... ..	10,000	...	8,484	1,516	...
Levee in continuation of the Cobram to Tocumwal work from Ulupna to Picola ... ..	8,000	...	7,987	13	...
Condah Swamp main drain completion ... ..	4,000	...	3,967	33	...
Towards assisting Municipalities in repairs of damages to roads and bridges caused by recent bush fires ...					
	10,000	...	6,777	1,078	2,145
		219,000			
<b>POST-OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Purchase money, Sturt-street stables ... ..					
	8,000	...	8,000	...	...
Extension of long distance Telephone lines, and extension of present system of Pneumatic tubes to connect Ex- change with the Rialto and Spencer-street offices ...					
	7,000	...	5,326	31	1,643
Purchase and erection of 15,000 iron Telegraph Poles in lieu of wooden ones ... ..					
	15,000	...	...	...	15,000
		30,000			
Carried forward ... ..	...	657,200	216,605	198,061	242,534

RETURN showing Amounts Paid and Owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898—continued.*

Work.	Amount.		Expenditure to 31st July, 1900.	Commitments.	Balance.
	£	£			
Brought forward ... ..	...	657,200	216,605	198,061	242,534
<b>DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.</b>					
Portland pier ... ..	12,500	...	3,681	8,819	...
Pilots—Advance for steam service, repayable by deduction out of moneys collected by the Customs Department by yearly instalments with 3½ per cent. interest ex- tending over 25 years ... ..	(by Act 1621); 23,000	...	23,000	...	...
		35,500			
<b>DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.</b>					
5,000 Martini-Enfield rifles ... ..	10,000	...	10,000	...	...
Further provision of new rifles ... ..	25,000	...	15,260	...	9,740
Establishing communication between Forts at the Heads, providing complete telephone and electric communi- cation between Fortress Commander and Commanders of Sections strongly urged by Colonial Defence Com- mittee, and making fighting station ... ..	...	...	40	...	...
Control mechanism for 10" and 9·2" B.L. guns ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Ammunition waggons for Field Artillery ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Conversion of Field Artillery guns and limbers for use of cordite ... ..	20,000	...	...	...	10,844
Erection of magazines at Skeleton Creek to receive powder from Maribyrnong magazine ... ..	...	...	2,176	2,174	...
New Orderly Room, Geelong ... ..	...	...	766	4,000	...
New Quarters to be erected in lieu of paying allowances to officers ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Hospital for Victorian Permanent Artillery ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Transport Waggons and Reserve Stock of Ammunition ... ..	7,500	...	7,464	...	36
		62,500			
<b>LANDS DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Resumption of Land in Mallee District ... ..	30,000	...	19,606	...	10,394
Bush Fires— Amount advanced to Farmers for loans in consequence of bush fires ... ..	20,000	...	17,302	...	2,698
		50,000			
<b>BUILDINGS.</b>					
<b>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.</b>					
Erection of Public Buildings in lieu of premises for which rent is now paid ... ..	30,000	...	3,466	8,453	18,081
Court and Records Office ... ..	50,000	...	585	35,883	13,532
Towards sanitary works under Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act at Government Buildings, includ- ing State Schools, Post Offices, Government House, Law Courts and Offices, and other Public Buildings in the Metropolitan area ... ..	20,000	...	6,365	3,102	10,533
<b>CHIEF SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Public Library— Completion of front portion of south wing of Public Library buildings ... ..	...	...	3,156	3,843	...
Works in connexion with the Sewerage scheme, erection of fire-proof building in place of wooden connexion between the rotunda and main library building, and general alterations ... ..	(by Act 1621) 22,000	...	1,656	...	345
Towards the completion of National Museum building ... ..	...	...	3,764	9,236	...
Penal Establishments— New Works at Pentridge and Melbourne Gaol ... ..	10,000	...	7,409	2,591	...
Asylums for the Insane— New Works at Yarra Bend Asylum, Kew Asylum, Idiot Asylum, Sunbury Asylum, Ararat Asylum, Beech- worth Asylum, and Ballarat Asylum ... ..	20,000	...	13,049	4,173	2,778
Ballarat Asylum—New wards, yards, &c. ... ..	12,000	...	7,173	4,827	...
Asylums for Insane—Buildings ... ..	10,000	...	71	9,929	...
Carried forward ... ..	174,000	805,200	362,594	295,091	321,515

RETURN showing Amounts Paid and Owing under *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898—continued.*

Work.	Amount.		Expenditure to 31st July, 1900.	Commitments.	Balance.
	£	£			
Brought forward ... ..	174,000	805,200	362,594	295,091	321,515
<b>BUILDINGS—continued.</b>					
<b>PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Medical Superintendent's quarters ... ..	} 10,000	... ..	} 1,339	} 5,486	} 2,160
Installation of disinfecting oven and accessory buildings ... ..					
Cut-paw-paw Sanatorium ... ..					
Calf-lymph Depôt ... ..					
<b>EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Erection of new buildings and providing additional accommodation to existing schools ... ..	15,000	...	14,654	346	...
Technical Schools ... ..	13,000 (by Act 1621)	...	11,723	622	655
<b>CROWN LAW DEPARTMENT.</b>					
Solicitor-General— New Court Houses ... ..	5,000	...	2,706	80	2,214
		217,000			
<b>MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.</b>					
New buildings, &c. (by Act 1586) ... ..	15,000	15,000	15,000	...	...
Totals ... ..	...	1,037,200	409,031	301,625	326,544

Treasury,  
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

GEO. T. ALLEN,  
Accountant to the Treasury.

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WOMEN ON MUNICIPAL RATE-BOOKS.

RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
 Dated 21st August, 1900, for—

A RETURN showing the number of Women whose names are on the Municipal Rate-books for this year.

(*The Honorable W. Knox.*)

Ordered to be printed, 18th September, 1900.

<b>CITIES—</b>			Brought forward ... .. 15,287		
Ballarat	...	1,049	<b>TOWNS—</b>		
Bendigo	...	1,457	Ballarat East	...	685
Collingwood	...	1,058	Brighton	...	541
Fitzroy	...	1,249	Brunswick	...	1,152
Footscray	...	360	Essendon	...	1,119
Hawthorn	...	1,100	Geelong	...	942
Melbourne	...	3,041	North Melbourne	...	763
Prahran	...	2,184	Northcote	...	650
Richmond	...	1,321	Port Melbourne	...	370
St. Kilda	...	1,117	Warrnambool	...	261
South Melbourne	...	1,351	Williamstown	...	719
<b>CITIES</b>	...	...	<b>TOWNS</b>	...	7,202
		15,287	Carried forward	...	22,489

WOMEN ON MUNICIPAL RATE-BOOKS—*continued.*

Brought forward	...	...	22,489	Brought forward	...	4,708	27,231
<b>BOROUGHS—</b>				<b>SHIRES—<i>continued.</i></b>			
Ararat	...	...	120	Caulfield	...	...	601
Browns and Scarsdale	...	...	5	Charlton	...	...	155
Buninyong	...	...	61	Chiltern	...	...	84
Carisbrook	...	...	52	Coburg	...	...	435
Castlemaine	...	...	220	Colac	...	...	239
Chewton	...	...	53	Corio	...	...	37
Clunes	...	...	166	Cranbourne	...	...	87
Creswick	...	...	108	Creswick	...	...	162
Daylesford	...	...	117	Dandenong	...	...	276
Dunolly	...	...	73	Deakin	...	...	191
Eaglehawk	...	...	296	Dimboola	...	...	116
Echuca	...	...	189	Donald	...	...	170
Flemington and Kensington	...	...	353	Doncaster	...	...	49
Geelong West	...	...	266	Dundas	...	...	142
Hamilton	...	...	130	Dunmunkle	...	...	150
Horsham	...	...	133	East Loddon	...	...	32
Inglewood	...	...	63	Echuca	...	...	307
Kew	...	...	287	Eltham	...	...	117
Koroit	...	...	47	Epping	...	...	30
Majorca	...	...	30	Euroa	...	...	128
Malmsbury	...	...	58	Ferntree Gully	...	...	65
Maryborough	...	...	179	Flinders and Kangerong	...	...	120
Newtown and Chilwell	...	...	302	Frankston and Hastings	...	...	150
Oakleigh	...	...	162	Gisborne	...	...	157
Portland	...	...	116	Glenelg	...	...	308
Port Fairy	...	...	70	Glenlyon	...	...	83
Queenscliff	...	...	80	Gordon	...	...	131
Raywood	...	...	20	Goulburn	...	...	155
Rutherglen	...	...	83	Grenville	...	...	147
Sale	...	...	192	Hampden	...	...	137
Sebastopol	...	...	107	Healesville	...	...	95
Smythesdale	...	...	15	Heidelberg	...	...	117
St. Arnaud	...	...	153	Heytesbury	...	...	61
Stawell	...	...	232	Howqua	...	...	21
Talbot	...	...	56	Huntly	...	...	61
Tarnagulla	...	...	31	Kara Kara	...	...	209
Wangaratta	...	...	117	Karkarooc	...	...	80
				Keilor	...	...	75
				Kerang	...	...	395
BOROUGHS	...	...	4,742	Kilmore	...	...	144
<b>SHIRES—</b>				Korong	...	...	145
Alberton	...	...	150	Kowree	...	...	352
Alexandra	...	...	202	Kyneton	...	...	298
Arapiles	...	...	134	Lancefield	...	...	34
Ararat	...	...	240	Lawloit	...	...	102
Avoca	...	...	292	Leigh	...	...	106
Avon	...	...	97	Lexton	...	...	54
Eacchus Marsh	...	...	51	Lillydale	...	...	181
Bairnsdale	...	...	224	Lowan	...	...	148
Ballan	...	...	186	Melvor	...	...	135
Ballarat	...	...	92	Maffra	...	...	180
Bannockburn	...	...	37	Maldon	...	...	115
Barrabool	...	...	34	Malvern	...	...	431
Beechworth	...	...	253	Mansfield	...	...	129
Belfast	...	...	73	Marong	...	...	340
Bellarine	...	...	224	Melton	...	...	46
Benalla	...	...	276	Meredith	...	...	70
Birchip	...	...	131	Merriang	...	...	31
Berwick	...	...	215	Metcalfe	...	...	121
Bet Bet	...	...	70	Mildura	...	...	186
Boroondara	...	...	377	Minhamite	...	...	68
Borong	...	...	212	Mirboo	...	...	50
Braybrook	...	...	192	Moorabbin	...	...	511
Bright	...	...	201	Mornington	...	...	85
Broadford	...	...	67	Mortlake	...	...	78
Broadmeadows	...	...	40	Morwell	...	...	90
Bulla	...	...	42	Mount Alexander	...	...	107
Buln Buln	...	...	160	Mount Franklin	...	...	99
Bungaree	...	...	117	Mount Rouse	...	...	75
Buninyong	...	...	200	Mulgrave	...	...	91
Castle Donnington	...	...	119	Narracan	...	...	152
Carried forward	...	4,708	27,231	Carried forward	...	15,537	27,231



WOMEN ON MUNICIPAL RATE-BOOKS—*continued.*

Brought forward	...	15,537	27,231	Brought forward	...	19,497	27,231
SHIRES— <i>continued.</i>				SHIRES— <i>continued.</i>			
Newham	...	74		Tambo	...	126	
Newstead	...	89		Templestowe	...	27	
North Ovens	...	81		Towong	...	372	
Numurkah	...	244		Traralgon	...	114	
Nunawading	...	423		Tullaroop	...	125	
Omeo	...	217		Tungamah	...	148	
Oxley	...	185		Upper Yarra	...	44	
Orbost	...	118		Violet Town	...	102	
Phillip Island	...	156		Walhalla	...	103	
Portland	...	280		Wannon	...	159	
Poowong and Jeetho	...	253		Waranga	...	292	
Preston	...	254		Warragul	...	122	
Pyalong	...	74		Warrnambool	...	226	
Ripon	...	119		Whittlesea	...	55	
Rodney	...	163		Wimmera	...	179	
Romsey	...	61		Winchelsea	...	147	
Rosedale	...	127		Wodonga	...	88	
Rutherglen	...	172		Woorayl	...	132	
Seymour	...	203		Wyndham	...	481	
Shepparton	...	97		Wycheproof	...	139	
South Barwon	...	74		Yackandandah	...	131	
South Gippsland	...	68		Yarrawonga	...	146	
Springfield	...	19		Yea	...	130	
Stawell	...	213					
Strathfieldsaye	...	130		SHIRES	...	...	23,085
Talbot	...	66					
Carried forward	...	19,497	27,231	Total	...	...	50,316

## SUMMARY.

Cities	...	...	...	...	15,287
Towns	...	...	...	...	7,202
Boroughs	...	...	...	...	4,742
Shires	...	...	...	...	23,085
Total	...	...	...	...	50,316

D. MARTIN,  
Secretary for Public Works.



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# APPLICATIONS FOR PATENTS.

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RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
Dated 11th September, 1900, for—

A RETURN showing—

1. In what percentage of complete patent applications under the *Patents Act* 1890 has the patent been finally refused for want of novelty, the prior reference not being the applicant's own invention (or the like), patented elsewhere.
2. In what percentage of such final refusals did the applicants appeal to the Attorney-General.
3. In what percentage of such refusals were the applications conducted by a patent agent.
4. In what percentage of such refusals were the applicants persons residing outside the Australasian Colonies.
5. In what percentage of patents applied for has a patent been finally refused under the *Patents Act* 1890, on the ground that the presented statutory declaration had not been filed.
6. What were the reasons stated in each case for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.

(*The Honorable A. Wynne.*)

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*Ordered to be printed, 18th September, 1900.*

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1. In what percentage of complete patent applications under the *Patents Act* 1890 has the patent been finally refused for want of novelty, the prior reference not being the applicant's own invention (or the like), patented elsewhere.

The total number of complete applications under the *Patents Act* 1890 (from 1st August, 1890, the date upon which the Act of 1890 came into operation, to 31st August, 1900), was 5,986.

The total number of completes finally refused on various grounds was 230; of these 219 were refused on the ground of want of novelty, and in 60 of these 219 cases the prior reference was the applicant's own invention (or the like) patented elsewhere; this leaves a net number of 159 cases.

The percentage required by question 1 is therefore 2·656.

2. In what percentage of such final refusals did the applicants appeal to the Attorney-General.

The number of final refusals, as above, was 159, and the number of appeals to the Attorney-General in those cases was ten.

The percentage required by question 2 is therefore 6·289.

3. In what percentage of such refusals were the applications conducted by a patent agent.

The number of final refusals, as above, was 159, and the number of those applications conducted by a patent agent was 125.

The percentage required by question 3 is therefore 78·6.

4. In what percentage of such refusals were the applicants persons residing outside the Australasian Colonies.

The number of final refusals, as above, was 159, and the number of applicants in those cases residing outside the Australasian Colonies was 32.

The percentage required by question 4 is therefore 20·1.

5. In what percentage of patents applied for has a patent been finally refused under the *Patents Act* 1890, on the ground that the presented statutory declaration had not been filed.

The number of patent applications under the *Patents Act* 1890 (from 1st August, 1890, to 31st August, 1900), was 9,560.

Three applications were finally refused on the ground that the prescribed statutory declaration had not been filed.

6. What were the reasons stated in each case for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.

Case No. 1. No reason was stated for not filing such statutory declaration in due course.

Case No. 2. On October 12th, 1893, applicant stated he had been seriously ill, and could not work ; and on the 26th idem the agent wrote to say it was not his intention to proceed further.

Case No. 3. An undertaking for a fresh application was filed ; but the agent subsequently notified the Commissioner, verbally, that the case was abandoned.

G. H. NEIGHBOUR,  
Commissioner of Patents.

Patent Office,  
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

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# AMOUNTS OF THREE PER CENT. STOCK UNDER CERTAIN ACTS.

RETURN to an Order of the *Legislative Council*,  
Dated 3rd October, 1900, for—

A RETURN showing—

1. What total amount of Three per Cent. Stock has been sold under Acts Nos. 1468 and 1564.
2. What total amount has been issued and applied out of such moneys so raised.
3. What amounts are now available and unappropriated under the above or any other Acts.

(*The Honorable Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood.*)

Ordered to be printed, 3rd October, 1900.

RETURN showing the Total Amount of Three per Cent. Stock (Melbourne Issue) raised under Acts Nos. 1468, 1564, and 1623 ; also Expenditure to 31st August, 1900, and Balances Unexpended on that date.

Act.	Total Stock Raised.		Net Proceeds.		Expenditure to 31st August, 1900.		Balance Unexpended on 31st August, 1900.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
No. 1468 ...	200,869	6 10	200,869	6 10	181,139	8 11	19,729	17 11*
No. 1564 ...	500,000	0 0	500,000	0 0	492,167	10 8	7,832	9 4†
No. 1623 ...	176,376	0 10	176,376	0 10	105,063	3 1	71,312	17 9‡
	877,245	7 8	877,245	7 8	778,370	2 8	98,875	5 0

\* Required for Railways Rolling Stock.

† Balance required for purposes of *Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898*, No. 1566.

‡ Balance required for Railways, and purposes of Act 1566.

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REPORT

OF THE

SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ON THE

CASE OF A. DABSCHECK;

TOGETHER WITH THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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*Ordered by the Legislative Council to be printed, 11th October, 1900.*

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EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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WEDNESDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1900.

9. CASE OF A. DABSCHCK.—The Honorable J. Hoddinott moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim; such Committee to consist of the Honorables T. Comrie, E. J. Croke, J. Y. McDonald, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.



## REPORT.

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THE SELECT COMMITTEE appointed by your Honorable House on the 26th September, 1900, to inquire into and report upon the case of the Lands and Forests Departments and A. Dabscheck, relative to allotment 157, section 42, parish of Neerim, have the honour to report as follows:—

Your Committee regret that, owing to the approaching termination of the Session, they have not sufficient time to complete their inquiry into the case referred to them.

Your Committee have therefore resolved to recommend that your Honorable House re-appoint the Committee in the next Session of Parliament, and further that the Committee be then empowered to hear counsel, to such extent as they shall think fit, on behalf of the parties interested in the case.

11th October, 1900.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*Members present :*

The Hon. J. Hoddinott  
J. Sternberg  
E. J. Crooke

The Hon. J. Y. McDonald  
T. Comrie.

The Clerk read the extract from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the 26th September, 1900, referring to the appointment of the Committee.

The Hon. J. Hoddinott was called to the Chair.

The Committee deliberated.

*Resolved*—That, in view of the early close of the Session and the consequent impossibility of completing the inquiry, a Draft Report be submitted by the Chairman at the next meeting to the effect that the Committee being unable to complete their investigation recommend the Council to re-appoint the Committee in the next Session, and then empower the Committee to hear counsel, to such extent as they shall think fit, on behalf of the parties interested.

*Ordered*—That in the meantime Mr. A. Dabscheck be requested to furnish a written statement of his case, together with a list of the witnesses he desires to call.

The Committee adjourned.

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THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1900.

*Members present :*

The Hon. J. HODDINOTT, in the Chair ;  
The Hon. T. Comrie | The Hon. E. J. Crooke.

The Chairman submitted the Draft Report, which was adopted.

*Ordered*—That the Chairman report to the Council.

The Committee adjourned.

VIC. MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEG. COUNCIL. 1ST SESS. 1900.

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